

TESLA MOTORS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 06, 2011

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of**

**The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**January 6, 2011**

**Tesla Motors, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission

(IRS Employer

File Number)  
3500 Deer Creek Road

Identification No.)

Palo Alto, California 94304

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(650) 681-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On January 6, 2011, Tesla Motors, Inc. published a post on its website blog regarding the assembly and testing of the first alpha version of its planned Model S vehicle. The blog posting is available at <http://www.teslamotors.com/blog/tesla-vehicle-engineering>.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**TESLA MOTORS, INC.**

By: /s/ DEEPAK AHUJA  
**Deepak Ahuja**

**Chief Financial Officer**

Date: January 6, 2011