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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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) December 14, 2005

## MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania

000-50448

38-3686388

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

300 Fellowship Road, Mount Laurel, NJ

08054

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (888) 479-9111** 

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

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- 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 December 14, 2005, Daniel P. Dyer, Chief Executive Officer of Marlin Business Services Corp. (NASDAQ: MRLN), adopted a pre-arranged stock trading plan to exercise a portion of his company stock options and sell the related shares over time as part of his individual long-term strategy for asset diversification and liquidity.

The stock trading plan was adopted in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. Rule 10b5-1 allows corporate officers and directors to adopt written, pre-arranged stock trading plans when they do not have material non-public information. Using their plans, company insiders can gradually diversify their investment portfolios over time while avoiding concerns that they had material non-public information when they sold their stock.

Under his Rule 10b5-1 Plan, Mr. Dyer may exercise up to 31,500 options and sell the shares received upon exercise on a pro-rata basis over a period of approximately five months (commencing in January 2006). The shares being sold by Mr. Dyer under the plan represent approximately 8% of the MRLN shares he beneficially owns as of December 14, 2005.

#### 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.

# MARLIN BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

(Registrant)

Date December 14, 2005

/s/ Daniel P. Dyer

Daniel P. Dyer Chief Executive Officer

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