FORCE PROTECTION INC Form 8-K March 08, 2010

### **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): March 8, 2010

# FORCE PROTECTION, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**001-33253** (Commission File Number)

84-1383888 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

9801 Highway 79, Building No. 1 Ladson, South Carolina 29456

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(843) 574-7000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

	eck the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
0	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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0	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
0	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On March 8, 2010, Force Protection, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its preliminary results of operations and financial condition for the fiscal quarter and full fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ) or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 8, 2010, the Company issued a press release announcing its preliminary results of operations and financial condition for the fiscal quarter and full fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. The Company will host a conference call and webcast at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, March 8, 2010 to discuss its preliminary results of operations and financial condition and its business outlook.

While the question-and-answer session of the call will be limited to institutional analysts and investors, retail brokers and individual investors are invited to listen to a live webcast. The webcast may be accessed via the home page of the Company s website at www.forceprotection.net. Please visit the website at least 15 minutes prior to the call to register for the webcast and download any necessary software.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Safe Harbor Statement

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward looking statements that are not historical facts, including statements about the Company s beliefs and expectations. These statements are based on beliefs and assumptions of the Company s management, and on information currently available to management. These forward looking statements include, among other things: the growth and demand for the Company s vehicles, products, services, including its modernization, spares and sustainment business; the anticipated long-term demand for service, support and upgrade work to the Company s fleet of vehicles; the opportunities to market and the capabilities of the Ocelot and JAMMA vehicles; the Company s ability to develop new technologies and products, and the effectiveness of these technologies and products; the Company s execution of its business strategy and strategic transformation, including its opportunities to grow the business; and the Company s expected financial and operating results, including its revenues, cash flow and gross margins, for future periods. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update any of them publicly in light of new information or future events. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Examples of these factors include, but are not limited to, the ability to effectively manage the risks in the Company s business; the ability to develop new technologies and products and the acceptance of these technologies and products; the ability to obtain new orders for its vehicles and

products; and other risk factors and cautionary statements listed in the Company s periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the risks set forth in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit** Description

99.1 Press release dated March 8, 2010 entitled Force Protection Announces Results for 2009 Fourth Quarter and Full Year

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

Force Protection, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: March 8, 2010

/s/ Michael Moody (Signature)

Name: Michael Moody

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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