

SCHWAB CHARLES CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 18, 2011

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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): January 11, 2011**

**The Charles Schwab Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number: 1-9700**

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**94-3025021**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**211 Main Street, San Francisco, CA 94105**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(415) 667-7000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**  
(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))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On January 11, 2011, The Charles Schwab Corporation (the Company) announced that two of its subsidiaries have entered into settlement agreements with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), and Illinois regulators related to previously disclosed investigations of the Company's Schwab YieldPlus Fund(R). The Company has agreed to pay a total of \$119 million to the SEC, FINRA, and Illinois regulators and expects to include an after tax charge of \$97 million in its fourth quarter financial results relating to these settlements. Amounts payable to the SEC under the settlement are subject to the approval of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California.

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**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.

The Charles Schwab Corporation

Date: January 14, 2011

By: /s/ Joseph R. Martinetto

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Joseph R. Martinetto  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer