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 28, 2005

GARTNER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-14443

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

04-3099750 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

P.O. Box 10212 56 Top Gallant Road

Stamford, Connecticut 06902-7747

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(203) 316-1111

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On March 28, 2005, Gartner, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Gartner") and META Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("META") entered into a letter agreement (the "Letter Agreement"), pursuant to which, among other things, Gartner and META waived, acknowledged satisfaction and/or made certifications concerning some of the conditions to effect the merger contemplated by the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of December 26, 2004, among Gartner, Green Falcon, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Gartner and META and also agreed that such merger would not close prior to April 1, 2005. Gartner currently expects such merger to close on April 1, 2005.

The foregoing description of the Letter Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Letter Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

10.1 Letter Agreement, dated March 28, 2005, between Gartner, Inc. and META Group, Inc.

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.

Gartner, Inc.

By: /s/ Christopher Lafond

Christopher Lafond Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 29, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

10.1 Letter Agreement, dated March 28, 2005, between Gartner, Inc. and META Group, Inc.

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March 28, 2005

VIA TELECOPY AND OVERNIGHT COURIER

META Group, Inc. 208 Harbor Drive PO Box 120061 Stamford, CT 06912-0061 Attn: Mr. CD Hobbs and Mr. John Riley Telecopier No.: (203) 359-8066 Telephone No.: (203) 973-6700

Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe LLP 2775 Sand Hill Road Menlo Park, CA 94025-7019 Attn: Jon E. Gavenman, Esq. Telecopier No.: (650) 324-0638 Telephone No.: (650) 233-8539

Dear CD and John:

This letter agreement is entered into in connection with the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "**Merger Agreement**") by and among Gartner, Inc. ("**Gartner**"), Green Falcon, Inc. ("**Merger Sub**") and META Group, Inc. ("**META**") dated as of December 26, 2004. Capitalized terms used in this letter agreement but not defined herein shall have the meanings provided for in the Merger Agreement.

Gartner and META hereby agree as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Merger Agreement, the Closing shall not take place prior to 12:01 a.m. on April 1, 2005.

2. By execution hereof, the undersigned John Riley, being the duly appointed and acting Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of META, does hereby represent, warrant and certify on behalf of META as follows:

(a) Except for Sections 3.3 and 3.8(b) and (c) of the Merger Agreement, the representations and warranties of META contained in the Merger Agreement, disregarding all qualifications and exceptions contained therein relating to materiality or Company Material Adverse Effect or any similar standard or qualification, were true and correct on and as of the date of the Merger Agreement and are true and correct on and as of the date hereof (except for representations and warranties which address matters only as to a specified date, which representations and warranties were true and correct with respect to such specified date), except where the failure of such representations or warranties to be true and correct would not have, or reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect.

(b) The representations and warranties of META contained in Sections 3.3 and 3.8(b) and (c) of the Merger Agreement, giving effect to all qualifications and exceptions contained therein relating to materiality or Company Material Adverse Effect or any similar standard or qualification, are true and correct in all respects as of the date hereof.

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(c) META has performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and covenants required by the Merger Agreement to be performed or complied with by it at or prior to the date hereof.

3. Effective as of the date hereof:

(a) META hereby confirms that the conditions to the obligations of Gartner, Merger Sub and META to effect the Merger set forth in Section 7.1(a) of the Merger Agreement (Stockholder Approval) has been satisfied and, accordingly, Gartner acknowledges such satisfaction;

(b) Each of Gartner and META hereby confirms that the conditions to the obligations of Gartner, Merger Sub and META to effect the Merger set forth in Section 7.1(b) of the Merger Agreement (HSR Act) has been satisfied;

(c) Gartner hereby waives and deems satisfied the conditions to the obligations of Gartner and Merger Sub to effect the Merger set forth in Section 7.2(a) of the Merger Agreement (Representations and Warranties);

(d) Gartner represents to META that it is not aware of any failure of META to perform or comply in all material respects with META's agreements and covenants required by the Merger Agreement to be performed or complied with by it at or prior to the date hereof such that the conditions to the obligations of Gartner and Merger Sub to effect the Merger set forth in Section 7.2(b) of the Merger Agreement (Agreements and Covenants) would not be satisfied; and

(e) Gartner hereby waives and deems satisfied the conditions to the obligations of Gartner and Merger Sub to effect the Merger set forth in Section 7.2(f) of the Merger Agreement (No Affiliate Agreements).

4. Each of Gartner and META represents and warrants to the other that it has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this letter agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and that this letter agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by it and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of it, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.

5. This letter agreement constitutes the entire agreement and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, both written and oral, among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and is not intended to confer upon any person other than the parties hereto any rights or remedies; provided that it is acknowledged and agreed that the Merger Agreement remains in full force and effect except as otherwise contemplated hereby.

6. This letter agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the conflict of law provisions thereof.

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Sincerely,

/s/Eugene Hall Eugene Hall Chief Executive Officer Gartner, Inc.

Acknowledged and Agreed:

<u>/s/ John Riley</u> John Riley Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer META Group, Inc.

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