

**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 22, 2023

**DATA STORAGE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(Former Name of Registrant)

**Nevada**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-35384**

(Commission File Number)

**98-0530147**

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

**48 South Service Road  
Melville, New York 11747**

(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

**212-564-4922**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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-4I under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13I(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	DTST	The Nasdaq Capital Market
Warrants to purchase shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	DTSTW	The Nasdaq Capital Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On December 22, 2023, the Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Board of Directors of Data Storage Corporation (the "Company") approved an increase in the base salary of Charles Piluso, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and Christos Panagiotakos, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, to \$250,000 and \$235,000, respectively and granted bonuses in accordance with the terms of their employment agreements as well as equity incentive awards. In addition, on December 22, 2023, the Committee, also approved (i) an increase in the base salary of Harold Schwartz, the Company's President, and Thomas Kempster, the Company's Executive Vice President, to \$245,000 and \$235,000, respectively; (ii) an incentive bonus for Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Kempster of \$150,000 and \$100,000, respectively and (iii) an equity grant for each of Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Kempster that will have a value of \$100,000 and will be awarded on January 2, 2024; comprised 50% of options to purchase shares of common stock and 50% restricted stock units.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are furnished with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
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104      Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the inline XBRL document)

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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.

Dated: December 28, 2023

**DATA STORAGE CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Charles M. Piluso  
Name: Charles M. Piluso  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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