RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP Form 8-K October 18, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 18, 2005

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION (exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada	000-21430	88-0296885
(State or other		
jurisdiction of	(Commission	(IRS Employer
corporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)

2901 Las Vegas Boulevard	
Las Vegas, Nevada	89109
(Address of principal office)	(Zip code)
Registrant's Telephone number, including area code	(702) 794-9527

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

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Section 1 - Registrant's Business and Operations Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On October 12, 2005, Riviera Holdings Corporation (the "Company") and Robert Barengo, a former director and employee who retired from the Company on April 25, 2005, entered into an Amendment To Stock Option Agreement ("Amendment"). The Amendment (together with a corresponding amendment to the Company"s 1993 Employee Stock Option Plan) extended, from 90 days to 190 days Mr. Barengo's retirement date, the period during which he can exercise options to purchase 7,500 shares of the Company's common stock under his May 14, 2002 stock option agreement.

## 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.

Date: October 18, 2005

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Duane Krohn Treasurer and CFO