PITNEY BOWES INC /DE/ Form 8-K May 13, 2008

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**

May 13, 2008 (May 12, 2008)

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Pitney Bowes Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

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06-0495050

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission file number)

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

World Headquarters 1 Elmcroft Road Stamford. Connecticut 06926-0700

(Address of principal executive offices)

(203) 356-5000

(Registrant stelephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS

On May 12, 2008, Michael J. Critelli, the company s Executive Chairman, informed the Board of Directors that he would retire from the position of Executive Chairman and as a member of the Board of Directors effective December 31, 2008. It is expected that Mr. Critelli will serve in a short transitional role from January 1, 2009 through February 28, 2009.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d)

Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated May 12, 2008

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Pitney Bowes Inc.

May 12, 2008

<u>/s/ Johnna G. Torsone</u> Johnna G. Torsone Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer

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