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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: April 24, 2007 (Date of earliest event reported)

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 1-2360 13-0871985 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS employer Identification No.)

ARMONK, NEW YORK

10504

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

914-499-1900

(Registrant s telephone number)

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Item 5.03

(a) Amendments to By-laws and Certificate of Incorporation:

On January 31, 2007, IBM announced that Dr. Charles M. Vest was not standing for re-election to IBM's Board of Directors at the company's annual meeting on April 24, 2007. Effective April 24, 2007 Article III, Section 2 of IBM s By-laws was amended to decrease the number of directors to twelve. The full text of IBM s By-laws, as amended, is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this report, and is incorporated by reference herein.

At IBM s 2007 Annual Meeting, the company s stockholders approved certain amendments to the company s Certificate of Incorporation to eliminate the statutory supermajority voting requirements that were applicable to the company under certain provisions of the New York Business Corporation Law. On April 27, 2007, the company filed those amendments with the New York State Department of State, by adding a new Article TWELVE to the company s Certificate of Incorporation. The full text of IBM s Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, is filed as Exhibit 3.2 to this report, and is incorporated by reference herein.

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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: April 27, 2007

By: /s/ Andrew Bonzani
Andrew Bonzani
Vice President,
Assistant General Counsel &
Assistant Secretary