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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 (Date of earliest event reported): December 9, 2008 **ABM Industries Incorporated**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-8929 94-1369354

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

551 Fifth Avenue, Suite 300, New York, New York

10176

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (212) 297-0200

N/A

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

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(e) On December 9, 2008, the Board approved amendments to the Executive Stock Option Plan (aka Age-Vested Career Stock Option Plan), as amended and restated as of September 4, 2007, to provide for accelerated vesting of stock options in the event of a change in control of the Company upon the terms and conditions set forth therein.

A copy of the Executive Stock Option Plan, as so amended, is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1 to this current report and is incorporated herein by reference.

On December 9, 2008, the Board approved amendments to the Statement of Terms and Conditions Applicable to Options, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units and Performance Shares Granted to Employees pursuant to the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan (the Statement of Terms) to provide that in the event of a change in control of the Company in which the acquiror assumes the obligations relating to unvested equity awards granted under such Plan and subsequently terminates an employee without cause who holds any such unvested awards within the 12-month period following such change in control, the unvested equity awards would immediately vest upon such termination of employment and become payable.

A copy of the Statement of Terms, as so amended, is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.2 to this current report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
- 10.1 Executive Stock Option Plan, as amended December 9, 2008.
- 10.2 Statement of Terms and Conditions Applicable to Options, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units and Performance Shares Granted to Employees pursuant to the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended December 9, 2008.

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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.

ABM INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED

Dated: December 15, 2008 By: /s/ Sarah H. McConnell

Sarah H. McConnell Senior Vice President and

General Counsel

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