

RED HAT INC  
Form 8-K  
November 24, 2009

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 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): November 19, 2009**

**Red Hat, Inc.**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)**

**Delaware**

**(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)**

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**001-33162**  
(Commission File Number)

**06-1364380**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1801 Varsity Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**27606**  
(Zip Code)

**(919) 754-3700**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On November 19, 2009, the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Red Hat, Inc. (the Company ) approved revisions to the Company s Stock Ownership Policy for its Chief Executive Officer, executive vice presidents and senior vice presidents who report directly to its Chief Executive Officer, and non-employee members of the Board, to be effective as of March 1, 2010. The revised policy is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Red Hat, Inc. Stock Ownership Policy for Directors and Senior Executives, dated as of March 1, 2010

**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: November 24, 2009

RED HAT, INC.

By: /s/ R. BRANDON ASBILL  
Name: **R. Brandon Asbill**  
Title: **Assistant Secretary**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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