

RED HAT INC  
Form 8-K  
December 15, 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): December 15, 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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On December 15, 2009, Red Hat, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it has reached an agreement in principle to settle the class action lawsuit, pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, brought on behalf of a class of shareholders in connection with the Company's restatement of financial results announced in July 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated December 15, 2009

**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: December 15, 2009

RED HAT, INC.

By:  
Name:  
Title:

/s/ R. BRANDON ASBILL  
**R. Brandon Asbill**  
**Assistant Secretary**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated December 15, 2009