

UNITED RENTALS INC /DE  
Form 8-K  
October 17, 2008

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**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): October 16, 2008**

**UNITED RENTALS, INC.**  
**UNITED RENTALS (NORTH AMERICA), INC.**  
(Exact name of Registrants as Specified in their Charters)

**Delaware**  
**Delaware**  
(States or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-14387**  
**001-13663**  
(Commission file Numbers)

**06-1522496**  
**06-1493538**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Nos.)

**Five Greenwich Office Park, Greenwich, CT**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**06831**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrants telephone number, including area code: (203) 622-3131**

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-2 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-2)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 3.03. Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.**

On October 16, 2008, United Rentals, Inc. (the Company ) amended the Rights Agreement between the Company and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Rights Agent, dated as of September 28, 2001, as amended by the First Amendment to the Rights Agreement, dated as of July 22, 2007 (as amended, the Rights Agreement ). The amendment (the Second Amendment to the Rights Agreement ), which was effective October 16, 2008, reduces the beneficial ownership threshold required to trigger rights under the Rights Agreement from a 25% ownership interest to a 15% ownership interest.

The foregoing description of the Second Amendment to the Rights Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Second Amendment to the Rights Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

On October 17, 2008, the Company issued a press release announcing the amendment to the Rights Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto, and is incorporated herein by reference.

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

Exhibits

4.1 Second Amendment to the Rights Agreement, dated as of October 16, 2008, between United Rentals, Inc. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company.

99.1 Press release of United Rentals, Inc, dated October 17, 2008.

