

ABM INDUSTRIES INC /DE/
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FARWELL DAVID L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ABM INDUSTRIES INC /DE/
[ABM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
551 FIFTH AVENUE, SUITE 300
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/02/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP/Chief of Staff/Treasurer

NEW YORK, NY 10176

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 10/02/2008 | | F | 356 | D \$ 20.76 | 4,857 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 11/03/2008 | | A | 25 | A \$ 16.68 | 4,882 ⁽³⁾ | D |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Dividend Equivalent Rights ⁽⁴⁾ | <u>(5)</u> | 11/03/2008 | | A | 66 | <u>(5)</u> <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 66 \$ 0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FARWELL DAVID L 551 FIFTH AVENUE SUITE 300 NEW YORK, NY 10176 | | | SVP/Chief of Staff/Treasurer | |

Signatures

By: Barbara L. Smithers, by power of attorney 11/05/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Dividend equivalent rights (DERs) accrued on the restricted stock units granted under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, which shall vest in the same manner as the restricted stock units to which they relate. Each DER is the economic equivalent of one share of ABM common stock.

(1) Includes 3,408 RSUs. Restrictions on 993 shares lapsed on 10/2/08.

(2) Includes 3,433 RSUs. Restrictions on 993 shares lapsed on 10/2/08.

(3) Dividend equivalent rights (DERs) accrued on the performance shares granted under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. Each DER is the economic equivalent of one share of ABM common stock.

(4) DERs vest in the same manner as the performance shares to which they relate.

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