

RED HAT INC
Form 8-K
September 28, 2007

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): September 24, 2007

Red Hat, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-26281
(Commission File Number)

06-1364380
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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

(919) 754-3700

27606
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

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

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(c) Mark E. Cook, 48, has been appointed Vice President and Controller of Red Hat, Inc. (the Company) effective September 24, 2007. Mr. Cook will serve as the Company's principal accounting officer, assuming this role from Charles E. Peters, Jr., the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Peters will continue to serve as the Company's principal financial officer.

Mr. Cook joined the Company as Treasurer in November of 2004 and has been serving as Vice President and Treasurer of the Company since November of 2005. From April 2002 to November 2004, Mr. Cook was Director of Finance at Cluett American Corp., with responsibilities for treasury and various financial functions. From March 1997 until February 2002, Mr. Cook served as Treasurer of Guilford Mills, Inc. Previously, Mr. Cook also held a number of financial positions at Worthington Industries, Inc., Blount International, Inc. and RJR Nabisco, Inc.

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: September 28, 2007

RED HAT, INC.

By: /s/ Charles E. Peters, Jr.

Name: Charles E. Peters, Jr.

Title: Chief Financial Officer