
**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) January 27, 2009

THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-6714
(Commission File Number)

53-0182885
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1150 15th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.
(Address of principal executive offices)

20071
(Zip Code)

(202) 334-6000
(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:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - ☐ 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 8.01 Other Events

On January 27, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing the pricing of \$400 million in fixed-rate notes. A copy of the press release is furnished with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 The Washington Post Company Press Release dated January 27, 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.

The Washington Post Company
(Registrant)

Date January 27, 2009

/s/ Hal S. Jones

Hal S. Jones
Senior Vice President - Finance
(Principal Financial Officer)

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Exhibit 99.1 The Washington Post Company Press Release dated January 27, 2009.

**The Washington Post Company Announces
Pricing of \$400 Million Notes Offering**

WASHINGTON – January 27, 2009 – The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) today announced the pricing of \$400 million in fixed-rate notes.

The ten-year notes will have a coupon of 7.25% per annum, payable semi-annually on February 1 and August 1, beginning August 1, 2009. The notes, which mature on February 1, 2019, were priced at 99.614% of par for an effective yield of 7.305% per annum. Closing is scheduled for January 30, 2009.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the notes to repay \$400 million of notes that mature on February 15, 2009.

The offering will be sold through underwriters led by Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., and including SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC, PNC Capital Markets LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC.

Copies of the prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained when available by calling Citigroup Global Markets Inc. toll free at 1-877-858-5407 or J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. collect at 212-834-4533.

About The Washington Post Company

The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) is a diversified education and media company whose principal operations include educational services, newspaper and magazine publishing, television broadcasting, cable television systems and electronic information services.

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