

**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 17, 2008**

**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**  
(IRS 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:

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

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**Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management**

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

Item 5.02(d) Election of Directors

(1) On January 17, 2008, Anne M. Mulcahy was elected to the Board of Directors of The Washington Post Company.

(2) None

(3) None

(4) None

(5) None

**Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01(c) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated January 17, 2008

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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 17, 2008

/s/ Veronica Dillon

(Signature)

Veronica Dillon

Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated January 17, 2008

**Anne M. Mulcahy Elected a Director of  
The Washington Post Company**

WASHINGTON – January 17, 2008 – The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) announced today that Anne M. Mulcahy has been elected to the Board of Directors. Her election increases the Company's board to 11 members.

Mulcahy is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Xerox Corporation. She was named CEO of Xerox on August 1, 2001, and chairman on January 1, 2002. From May 2000 through July 2001, Mulcahy was president and chief operating officer of Xerox. Previously, she served as president of Xerox's General Markets Operations, heading up the divisions that sold products through reseller, dealer and retail channels.

Mulcahy began her Xerox career as a field sales representative in 1976 and assumed increasingly responsible sales and senior management positions. From 1992 to 1995, Mulcahy was vice president for human resources, responsible for compensation, benefits, human resource strategy, labor relations, management development and employee training. She became chief staff officer in 1997 and corporate senior vice president in 1998. Prior to that, she served as vice president and staff officer for Customer Operations, covering South America and Central America, Europe, Asia and Africa.

Mulcahy earned a BA in English/journalism from Marymount College in Tarrytown, NY.

In addition to serving on the Xerox Board of Directors, she is a director of Citigroup Inc. and Target Corporation, and is the chairman of the corporate governance task force of the Business Roundtable.

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