

UMPQUA HOLDINGS CORP
Form 8-K
April 15, 2009

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 15, 2009

Umpqua Holdings Corporation
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

OREGON
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

000-25597
(Commission File
Number)

93-1261319
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

**One SW Columbia, Suite 1200
Portland, Oregon 97258**
(address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(503) 727-4100
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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

(d) Effective April 15, 2009, Umpqua Holdings Corporation appointed Peggy Fowler to the board of directors. Ms. Fowler most recently served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Portland General Electric Company from April 2000 to December 31, 2008 and as Co-Chief Executive Officer from January 1, 2009 to March 1, 2009. Ms. Fowler will be appointed to the Budget Committee, Compensation Committee and Financial Services Committee.

SIGNATURES

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.

UMPQUA HOLDINGS CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Dated: April 15, 2009

By: /s/ Steven L. Philpott
Steven L. Philpott
Executive Vice President/General Counsel
