

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC  
Form 8-K  
June 02, 2010

**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): June 1, 2010**

**Waste Management, Inc.**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

Delaware <b>(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)</b>	1-12154 <b>(Commission File Number)</b>	73-1309529 <b>(IRS Employer Identification No.)</b>
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1001 Fannin, Suite 4000 Houston, Texas  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

77002  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's Telephone number, including area code: (713) 512-6200**

**(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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On June 2, 2010, Waste Management, Inc. issued a press release announcing that its President and Chief Operating Officer Lawrence O Donnell, III will be leaving the Company to pursue chief executive officer opportunities. The Company's CEO David Steiner has assumed the role of President effective immediately. Mr. O Donnell will remain employed by the Company through June 30, 2010 to assure an orderly transition of his former duties to Mr. Steiner.

In connection with the foregoing, the Company entered into an employment termination agreement with Mr. O Donnell (the Separation Agreement) setting forth the terms of his separation from the Company. Under the Separation Agreement, Mr. O Donnell's departure from the Company will be treated as a termination without cause by the Company, entitling him to the payments, compensation and benefits set forth in Section 6(e) of his employment agreement dated January 21, 2000 with the Company, as amended.

The Separation Agreement is being filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. A copy of the press release announcing this executive officer change is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit  
Number

- 10.1 Agreement for Termination of Employment dated June 1, 2010 between Waste Management, Inc. and Lawrence O Donnell, III
  - 99.1 Press release dated June 2, 2010
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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC.

Date: June 2, 2010

By: /s/ Rick L Wittenbraker  
Rick L Wittenbraker  
Senior Vice President

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