COVANCE INC Form 8-K May 11, 2009

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) May 6, 2009

Covance Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-12213 (Commission File Number) 22-3265977 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

210 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey (Address of principal executive offices)

08540 (Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code 609-452-4440

N/A

(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:
o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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o 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
On May 6, 2009, Mr. John McCartney was elected to the Board of Directors of Covance Inc.
A press release dated May 7, 2009 announcing Mr. McCartney s election is filed as an Exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K.
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits
(d) Exhibits
Press release of Covance Inc. dated May 7, 2009
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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.

COVANCE INC.

Date: May 11, 2009 /s/ James W. Lovett

Name: James W. Lovett

Title: Corporate Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

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Exhibit Index

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99.1 Press release of Covance Inc. dated May 7, 2009

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