LAYNE CHRISTENSEN CO Form 8-K December 08, 2008

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 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): December 2, 2008 Layne Christensen Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-34195 48-0920712

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1900 Shawnee Mission Parkway Mission Woods, Kansas 66205 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(913) 362-0510

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

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On December 8, 2008, Layne Christensen Company (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Donald A. Miller has decided not to stand for re-election to the Company s Board of Directors at the Company s next annual meeting of stockholders, scheduled to be held in June of 2009. Furthermore, the Company announced that its Board of Directors appointed Messrs. Robert R. Gilmore and Rene Robichaud to serve as members of the Company s Board of Directors beginning on January 1, 2009. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release issued by Layne Christensen Company, dated December 8, 2008.

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SIGNATURES

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

LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY

Date: December 8, 2008 By /s/A. B. Schmitt

Name: A. B. Schmitt

Title: President and Chief Executive

Officer

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