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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 Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): <u>January 22, 2009</u> MarketAxess Holdings Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-50670 52-2230784

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

140 Broadway, 42nd Floor New York, New York 10005

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(212) 813-6000

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangement of Certain Officers

Approval of New Form of Restricted Stock Agreement

On January 22, 2009, the Compensation Committee (the <u>Compensation Committee</u>) of the Board of Directors of MarketAxess Holdings Inc. (the <u>Company</u>), pursuant to the Company s 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (Amended and Restated effective April 28, 2006) (the <u>2004 Plan</u>), approved a new form of Restricted Stock Agreement for use in connection with grants of shares of restricted stock made as of and following such date under the 2004 Plan to Richard M. McVey, the Company s Chief Executive Officer, and T. Kelley Millet, the Company s President. A copy of such form of Restricted Stock Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated by reference herein. For grants of shares of restricted stock to executive officers other than Messrs. McVey and Millet the Company will continue to use the form of Restricted Stock Agreement attached as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 18, 2008.

Approval of Restricted Stock Grants

On January 22, 2009, the Compensation Committee approved grants of restricted stock under the 2004 Plan to the following named executive officers of the Company, which grants were made on January 22, 2009:

	Number of Shares of
	Restricted Common
Name of Executive Officer	Stock
Richard M. McVey	178,115
T. Kelley Millet	86,774
Nicholas Themelis	59,372
James N.B. Rucker	20,552

The grants to Messrs. McVey and Millet were made subject to the terms of the form of Restricted Stock Agreement attached hereto as Exhibits 10.1. The grants to Messrs. Themelis and Rucker were made subject to the terms of the form of Restricted Stock Agreement attached as Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 18, 2008.

The shares of restricted stock granted to the executive officers vest in three installments, with 34% of the shares vesting on January 15, 2010 and 33% of the shares vesting on each of January 15, 2011 and 2012, in each case subject to the continued employment of the applicable executive officer through the vesting date. In addition, the grants to Messrs. McVey and Millet provide that in the event of a termination of the executive s employment by the Company without cause or by the executive for good reason, the lesser of (i) 29,686 shares, in the case of Mr. McVey, or 14,463, in the case of Mr. Millet, or (ii) all of the remaining unvested shares of restricted stock will vest.

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

10.1 Form of Restricted Stock Agreement Pursuant to the MarketAxess Holdings Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (Amended and Restated effective April 28, 2006) for use in connection with grants of restricted stock to Messrs. McVey and Millet.

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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.

MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC.

Date: January 23, 2009 By: /s/ Richard M. McVey

Name: Richard M. McVey
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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