

3M CO  
Form 8-K  
August 05, 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): **August 4, 2009**

**3M COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**File No. 1-3285**  
(Commission File Number)

**41-0417775**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**3M Center, St. Paul, Minnesota**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**55144-1000**  
(Zip Code)

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(651) 733-1110

(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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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On August 4, 2009, 3M Company ( 3M ) contributed 8,329,862 shares of its common stock with a corresponding dollar value of approximately \$600 million to its defined benefit pension plan, the 3M Employee Retirement Income Plan (the Plan ). The contribution was made from treasury stock. ERISA rules do not require a contribution at this time, however 3M voluntarily contributed the amount in order to improve the Plan s funded status. An independent fiduciary, State Street Bank and Trust Company, has been appointed to manage the securities on the Plan s behalf.

A related registration rights agreement between 3M and State Street Bank and Trust Company, on behalf of the Plan, dated as of August 4, 2009, is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K for incorporation by reference into 3M s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-157374).

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Registration Rights Agreement with State Street Bank and Trust Company, on behalf of the Plan, dated August 4, 2009

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

3M COMPANY

By: /s/ Gregg M. Larson  
Gregg M. Larson,  
Deputy General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: August 4, 2009