

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP  
Form 8-K  
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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: April 4, 2008**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES**  
**CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**New York**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-2360**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-0871985**  
(IRS employer Identification No.)

**ARMONK, NEW YORK**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10504**  
(Zip Code)

**914-499-1900**

(Registrant's telephone number)

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- 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))
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Item 8.01 (Other Events)

On April 4, 2008, IBM issued a press release announcing an agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to terminate the temporary suspension order barring IBM from participating in new Federal government business. The press release is Attachment I of this Form 8-K.

IBM's web site ([www.ibm.com](http://www.ibm.com)) contains a significant amount of information about IBM, including financial and other information for investors ([www.ibm.com/investor/](http://www.ibm.com/investor/)). IBM encourages investors to visit its various web sites from time to time, as information is updated and new information is posted.

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, hereunto duly authorized.

Date: April 4, 2008

By: /s/ Andrew Bonzani  
Andrew Bonzani  
Vice President,  
Assistant General  
Counsel &  
Assistant Secretary

**IBM'S ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS REINSTATED**

ARMONK, N.Y., April 4, 2008 . . . IBM (NYSE: IBM) announced today an agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to terminate the temporary suspension order barring IBM from participating in new Federal government business.

Effective immediately, IBM will resume participating in new business with all federal agencies ending a suspension that began March 27, 2008.

IBM will continue to cooperate with the EPA's ongoing investigation of possible violations of the Procurement Integrity provisions of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act regarding a bid for business with the EPA, and with a related investigation by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia.

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