COVANCE INC Form 8-K April 24, 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) April 20, 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 609-452-8550

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

	owing provisions:
o	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
0	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
0	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Covance Inc. (the Company or the Corporation) entered into Indemnification Agreements with each executive officer of the Company dated April 20, 2009. The Indemnification Agreement, the form of which is filed as an Exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference, gives the officers the contractual right to the indemnification rights provided for in the Corporation s By-Laws.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

10.1 Form of Executive Officer Indemnification Agreement.

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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: April 24, 2009 /s/ James W. Lovett

Name: James W. Lovett

Title: Corporate Senior Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

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