

Western Union CO  
Form 8-K  
April 30, 2009

**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): April 30, 2009

**THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-32903**  
(Commission File Number)

**20-4531180**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**12500 East Belford Avenue**

**Englewood, Colorado**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**80112**  
(Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (866) 405-5012

**N/A**

(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:

.. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On April 30, 2009, the Compensation and Benefits Committee (the Compensation Committee) of the Board of Directors of The Western Union Company (the Company) determined that, in the event of a change of control, the Company will no longer provide to new executive officers gross-up payments offsetting the impact of the excise tax or any associated interest or penalties imposed by Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, on excess parachute payments.

**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.

Dated: April 30, 2009

THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY

By: /s/ Sarah J. Kilgore  
Sarah J. Kilgore  
Assistant Secretary