### **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 16, 2007

Red Hat, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-26281 (Commission File Number) 06-1364380 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1801 Varsity Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

27606 (Zip Code)

(919) 754-3700

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

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

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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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) Departure of Director.

On August 16, 2007, Eugene J. McDonald retired from the Board of Directors of Red Hat, Inc. (the Company), effective as of the election of the Company s Class II directors at the Company s 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Having reached the mandatory retirement age for directors under the Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines, Mr. McDonald, whose term as a Class II Director of the Company expired on August 16, 2007, was not eligible to stand for reelection. Mr. McDonald had served as a director since August of 2000.

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#### **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: August 17, 2007 RED HAT, INC.

By: /s/ Michael R. Cunningham
Name: Michael R. Cunningham
Title: General Counsel and Secretary