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): May 12, 2009

Hudson Highland Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-50129 (Commission File Number) 59-3547281 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

560 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10022 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(212) 351-7300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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

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

(e) At the annual meeting of the stockholders of Hudson Highland Group, Inc. (the "Company") held on May 12, 2009, the stockholders of the Company approved the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. 2009 Incentive Stock and Awards Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan provides that up to a total of 1,600,000 shares of the Company's common stock may be issued thereunder. The Plan, which is administered by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors, authorizes the grant to the Company's officers, directors, employees and consultants of stock options, stock appreciation rights, performance shares, performance units, shares of common stock, restricted stock units and annual or long-term incentive awards.

The Company cannot currently determine the benefits, if any, to be paid under the Plan in the future to the officers of the Company, including the Company's named executive officers.

The Plan is described in detail in the Company's proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 1, 2009. The description of the Plan set forth above does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Plan, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated by reference herein.

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Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) <u>Exhibits</u>. The following exhibits are being filed herewith:
 - (10.1) Hudson Highland Group, Inc. 2009 Incentive Stock and Awards Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to the Company's definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Schedule 14A on April 1, 2009 (file No. 0-50129))

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.

HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP, INC.

Date: May 14, 2009

By: /S/ MARY JANE RAYMOND

Mary Jane Raymond Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP, INC.

Exhibit Index to Current Report on Form 8-K

Dated May 12, 2009

Exhibit <u>Number</u> (10.1)

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