W. P. Carey Inc. Form 8-K March 07, 2013

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): March 1, 2013

W. P. CAREY INC.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland 001-13779 45-4549771 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 492-1100

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

As previously announced, effective as of March 1, 2013, Catherine D. Rice became the Chief Financial Officer of W. P. Carey Inc. (the **Company**), and upon her appointment, Mark J. DeCesaris resigned from his role as Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Mr. DeCesaris will continue to be a Director of the Company and, as such, will be eligible to participate in the Company s standard non-employee director compensation program.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

W. P. Carey Inc.

Date: March 7, 2013 By: /s/ Susan C. Hyde

Susan C. Hyde Managing Director