

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/  
Form 8-K  
December 22, 2008

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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):

December 18, 2008

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

1-1927

34-0253240

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1144 East Market Street, Akron, Ohio

44316-0001

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

330-796-2121

Not Applicable

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))

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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.**

The Compensation Committee of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company has approved amendments to the supplemental letter agreement, dated February 3, 2004, between Goodyear and Robert J. Keegan, Goodyear's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. The amended supplemental letter agreement was signed and became effective on December 18, 2008.

The amendments extend the term of the supplemental agreement from February 28, 2009 until February 28, 2012 and eliminate the agreement's excise tax gross-up provision. The amendments also make other changes required in order to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code and to ensure the deductibility by Goodyear of performance-based payments to Mr. Keegan under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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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.

*December 22, 2008*

The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company

By: *C. Thomas Harvie*

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*Name: C. Thomas Harvie*

*Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary*