

REPUBLIC SERVICES INC

Form 8-K

December 23, 2005

**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 20, 2005**  
**Republic Services, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)  
**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**1-14267**

(Commission File Number)

**65-0716904**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**110 SE 6th Street, 28th Floor, Fort Lauderdale,  
Florida**

**33301**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

**(954) 769-2400**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to

- Rule 14d-2(b)  
under the Exchange  
Act (17 CFR  
240.14d-2(b))
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communications  
pursuant to  
Rule 13e-4(c)  
under the Exchange  
Act (17 CFR  
240.13d-4(c))
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ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

On December 23, 2005, Republic Services, Inc. issued a press release to announce that on December 20, 2005, its Board of Directors approved the acceleration of the vesting of all of the outstanding stock options previously awarded to employees, including all executive officers, effective December 30, 2005, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. As a result of the acceleration, the Company anticipates recording a non-cash charge of approximately \$2 million during the fourth quarter of 2005. This action was taken in anticipation of changes to the Company's compensation programs beginning in 2006.

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

The Company estimates that the impact of adopting Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R),

Share-Based Payments, together with current changes in the Company's incentive and employee benefit plans, will reduce earnings per share by approximately 5 cents, 6 cents, and 7 cents in 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

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 23, 2005

REPUBLIC SERVICES, INC.

By: /s/ Tod C. Holmes  
Tod C. Holmes  
Senior Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer (Principal Financial  
Officer)

By: /s/ Charles F. Serianni  
Charles F. Serianni  
Vice President and Chief Accounting  
Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)