

GREENBRIER COMPANIES INC  
Form 8-K  
December 15, 2009

**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 15, 2009**

**THE GREENBRIER COMPANIES, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)  
Commission File No. 1-13146

Oregon  
(State of Incorporation)

93-0816972  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Centerpointe Drive, Suite 200, Lake Oswego, OR 97035  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
(503) 684-7000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)  
Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

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))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 15, 2009, The Greenbrier Companies, Inc. issued a press release announcing entry into a modified contract with General Electric Railcar Services Corporation. A copy of the release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated December 15, 2009 of The Greenbrier Companies, Inc.

**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.

**THE GREENBRIER COMPANIES, INC.**

Date: December 15, 2009

By: /s/ Mark J. Rittenbaum  
Mark J. Rittenbaum  
Executive Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer (Principal Financial  
Officer)