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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): August 15, 2011 (August 15, 2011)

**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.)

**18500 North Allied Way**

**Phoenix, Arizona**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**85054**

(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (480) 627-2700**

**Not Applicable**

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On August 15, 2011, the Company issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$750 million of its outstanding shares through December 31, 2013. A copy of this press release is incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release of Republic Services, Inc. issued August 15, 2011 to announce the Board of Directors' authorization of the repurchase of up to \$750 million of its outstanding shares through December 31, 2013.

**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.

Republic Services, Inc.

Date: August 15, 2011

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

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

# NEWS

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**REPUBLIC SERVICES, INC. AUTHORIZES  
\$750 MILLION FOR STOCK REPURCHASES**

- PROGRAM EXTENDS THROUGH 2013
- SUPPORTS LONG-TERM STOCKHOLDER RETURNS

**PHOENIX, AZ, AUG. 15, 2011** — Republic Services, Inc. (NYSE: RSG) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to \$750 million of its common stock through December 31, 2013. This authorization is in addition to the amount remaining under the Board's \$400 million repurchase authorization in November 2010.

"Republic will continue to utilize the stock repurchase program as an effective way to increase long-term value for our stockholders," said Donald W. Slager, president and chief executive officer. "Republic is maintaining its long-term objectives of cash returns to stockholders, a strong capital structure and investment grade ratings."

At current prices, \$750 million represents approximately 7.4 percent of the Company's outstanding shares of stock.

Republic's stock repurchase will be funded using excess cash on hand, cash flow from operations and proceeds from borrowings, if necessary. The stock repurchases may be made in the open market, in privately negotiated transactions or a combination of both. The timing and amounts of any repurchases will be at the discretion of management and will depend on many factors, including the market price of the common stock, overall market conditions and possible acquisitions. The common stock that is repurchased will be held in treasury.

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## **About Republic**

Republic Services, Inc. provides recycling and solid waste collection, transfer and disposal services in the United States. The Company's various operating units, including collection companies, transfer stations, recycling centers and landfills, are focused on providing reliable environmental services and solutions for commercial, industrial, municipal and residential customers. For more information, visit the Republic Services website at [www.republicservices.com](http://www.republicservices.com). The Company participates in investor presentations and conferences throughout the year. Interested parties can find a schedule of these conferences at [www.republicservices.com](http://www.republicservices.com) by selecting "Calendar" under the Investor Relations tab. Live audio presentations from earnings calls and investor conferences are webcast on the Republic website.