

DEERE & CO  
Form 8-K  
December 03, 2009

## **UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**FORM 8-K**



**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report: December 2, 2009**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**DEERE & COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-4121**

(Commission File Number)

**36-2382580**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One John Deere Place**

**Moline, Illinois 61265**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**(309) 765-8000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 2, 2009 the Board of Directors of Deere & Company elected Samuel R. Allen to succeed Robert W. Lane as Chairman of the Board of Deere & Company, effective immediately following the Deere & Company annual meeting of stockholders on February 24, 2010, at which time Mr. Lane's term as a director will expire. The Board also voted to reduce the size of the Board to 11 members, effective at the same time as Mr. Allen becomes Chairman.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

(99.1) Deere & Company News Release dated December 3, 2009.

**Signature**

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 hereto duly authorized.

DEERE & COMPANY

By:

/s/ Gregory R. Noe  
Gregory R. Noe  
Secretary

Dated: December 3, 2009



Exhibit Index

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
<u>99.1</u>	<u>Deere &amp; Company News Release dated December 3, 2009.</u>