STARBUCKS CORP Form 8-K July 29, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): July 29, 2008 STARBUCKS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Washington (State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation or Organization)

0-20322 (Commission File Number) 91-1325671

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2401 Utah Avenue South, Seattle, Washington 98134

(Address of principal executive offices)

(206) 447-1575

(Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code)

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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.

On July 29, 2008, Starbucks Corporation (Starbucks or the Company) announced that Martin Coles will no longer hold the position of chief operating officer. Effective immediately, Mr. Coles will reassume his prior role with Starbucks as president, Starbucks Coffee International, replacing James C. Alling who has left the Company. The Company has eliminated the chief operating officer position.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

STARBUCKS CORPORATION

Dated: July 29, 2008

By: /s/ Peter J. Bocian Peter J. Bocian executive vice president, chief financial officer and chief administrative officer