

UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC  
Form 8-K  
October 20, 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): October 20, 2009**

**UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INCORPORATED**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Minnesota**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-10864**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**41-1321939**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**UnitedHealth Group Center, 9900 Bren Road East, Minnetonka, Minnesota**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**55343**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (952) 936-1300**

N/A

(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:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On October 20, 2009, UnitedHealth Group Incorporated (the Company) issued a press release announcing its third quarter 2009 results. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The press release contains the following non-GAAP financial measures with respect to the third quarter of 2008: adjusted third quarter 2008 operating cost ratio, operating margin, and earnings from operations, each of which excludes a benefit from a change in the estimated net costs to settle two class action lawsuits related to the Company's historical stock option practices.

The most directly comparable GAAP financial measures to these non-GAAP measures are as follows:

Third quarter 2008 operating cost ratio	14.8%
Third quarter 2008 operating margin	7.9%
Third quarter 2008 earnings from operations	\$ 1.6 billion

Reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are attached to the press release.

The information in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any Company filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release dated October 20, 2009

**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.

Date: October 20, 2009

UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INCORPORATED

By: /s/ CHRISTOPHER J. WALSH  
**Christopher J. Walsh**  
**Senior Vice President, Senior Deputy General**  
**Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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