

REPUBLIC SERVICES INC  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DONOVAN TIMOTHY R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O REPUBLIC SERVICES, INC., 18500 N. ALLIED WAY

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85054

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
REPUBLIC SERVICES INC [RSG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/09/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President / General Counsel and Corp. Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	12/09/2008		A <sup>(1)</sup>	27,660 A	\$ 0 30,296	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.74	12/09/2008		A	61,790	(2) 12/09/2015		Common Stock	61,790

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DONOVAN TIMOTHY R C/O REPUBLIC SERVICES, INC. 18500 N. ALLIED WAY PHOENIX, AZ 85054			Executive Vice President	General Counsel and Corp. Sec.

## Signatures

/s/ Jo Lynn White, Attorney-in-Fact  
 12/11/2008  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Grant of restricted shares of common stock pursuant to the Republic Services, Inc. 2007 Stock Incentive Plan. The award vests in 4 equal annual installments commencing December 9, 2009.
- (2) Non-Qualified Stock Option awarded pursuant to the Republic Services, Inc. 2007 Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in 4 equal annual installments commencing December 9, 2009.

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