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 24, 2004

THE BOEING COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 1-442

Delaware 91-0425694

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 N. Riverside, Chicago, IL 60606-1596

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(312) 544-20

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On October 24, 2004, the Board of Directors of The Boeing Company (the Company), upon the recommendation of the Governance, Organization and Nominating Committee, elected Michael S. Zafirovski, President and Chief Operating Officer of Motorola, Inc., as a new director. Mr. Zafirovski will be proposed to shareholders at the 2005 Annual Meeting of Shareholders for election as a director to serve a three-year term. No determination has been made to date as to the committees of the Board on which Mr. Zafirovski will serve. There was no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Zafirovski and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Zafirovski was selected as a director and there are no related party transactions between Mr. Zafirovski and the Company. A copy of the Company s press release announcing the election of Mr. Zafirovski is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or ByLaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On October 24, 2004, the Board of Directors amended and restated the Company s By-Laws by increasing the number of directors from ten to eleven and adding a new section for the appointment of a designated engineer in the State of Washington. A copy of the Company s By-Laws, as amended and restated, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(b) Not applicable

(a) Not applicable

- (c) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release issued October 25, 2004.
- 99.2 By-Laws, as amended and restated on October 24, 2004.

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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, hereunto duly authorized.

THE BOEING COMPANY

(Registrant)

/s/ James C. Johnson James C. Johnson

Vice President, Corporate Secretary and Assistant General Counsel

Date: October 26, 2004

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
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99.2	By-Laws, as amended and restated on October 24, 2004.