

FASTENAL CO  
Form 8-K  
July 13, 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) **July 10, 2009**

**Fastenal Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**0-16125**  
(Commission File Number)

**41-0948415**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**2001 Theurer Boulevard, Winona, Minnesota**      **55987-1500**  
(Address of principal executive offices)      (Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(507) 454-5374**

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On July 10, 2009, Fastenal Company issued a press release announcing its board of directors had authorized purchases by the Company of up to 2,000,000 shares of its common stock from time to time in transactions on The NASDAQ OMX Market or otherwise. This authorization

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replaces any unused authorization previously granted by the board of directors. The full text of the press release is set forth in Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto and is incorporated in this Current Report as if fully set forth herein. This information is disclosed pursuant to Regulation FD.

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

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated July 10, 2009

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**SIGNATURE**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

**Fastenal Company**

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(Registrant)

/s/ **DANIEL L. FLORNESS**

**July 10, 2009**

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(Date)

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Daniel L. Florness  
*Chief Financial Officer*

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**Exhibit Index**

99.1 Press release dated July 10, 2009