BUCKEYE PARTNERS L P Form 8-K May 11, 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): May 7, 2009

# **Buckeye Partners, L.P.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9356 (Commission File Number) 23-2432497 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Five TEK Park
9999 Hamilton Blvd.
Breinigsville, Pennsylvania
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**18031** (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (610) 904-4000

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#### Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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.

(b) On May 7, 2009, Mr. Vance E. Powers advised Buckeye GP LLC (the General Partner), the general partner of Buckeye Partners, L.P., of his intention to resign his position as Vice President, Finance and Controller of the General Partner, effective as of May 15, 2009. Mr. Powers also indicated his intention to resign a similar position at MainLine Management LLC, the general partner of Buckeye GP Holdings L.P. (NYSE: BGH), which is the parent of the General Partner. Mr. Powers will continue as an employee of Buckeye Pipe Line Services Company for a transition period.

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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.

#### **BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.**

By: Buckeye GP LLC,

its General Partner

By: WILLIAM H. SCHMIDT, JR

William H. Schmidt, Jr.

Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

Dated: May 11, 2009