

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 earliest event
reported: November 17, 2004

American Airlines, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of Incorporation)

1-2691
(Commission File Number)

13-1502798
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

4333 Amon Carter Blvd. Fort Worth, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

76155
(Zip Code)

(817) 963-1234
(Registrant's telephone number)

(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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers;
Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued by its parent company, AMR Corporation, on November 17, 2004 as Exhibit 99.1 which is included herein. This press release was issued to report that on November 17, 2004, Matthew K. Rose was elected to the Board of Directors of AMR Corporation. Mr. Rose was likewise elected to the Board of Directors of American Airlines, Inc.

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.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/ Charles D. MarLett
Charles D. MarLett
Corporate Secretary

Dated: November 17, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release

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FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004

MATTHEW ROSE, CHAIRMAN AND CEO OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN

FORT WORTH, Texas -- Matthew K. Rose, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation, today was elected to the Board of Directors of AMR Corporation, parent company of American Airlines.

"Matt Rose is an exceptionally capable executive who knows what it takes to win in a highly competitive, customer-focused business," said Gerard J. Arpey, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of AMR Corporation. "His knowledge and experience will become valuable assets as we continue to transform AMR and position our company for a successful and profitable future."

Rose, 45, was elected Chairman of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation in March 2002 after having been President and CEO of the company since December 2000. He became President and Chief Operating Officer of BNSF, with responsibility for all operations and marketing activities, in June 1999.

Rose joined Burlington Northern Railroad in 1993 and held a number of key vice presidential positions before being named Senior Vice President-Merchandise Business Unit in May 1996. In August 1997, he was named Senior Vice President and Chief Operations Officer, responsible for coordinating transportation, maintenance, mechanical, quality, purchasing, labor relations and information services activities.

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Before joining Burlington Northern, Rose was Vice President-Transportation for Triple Crown Services, a Norfolk Southern Railroad subsidiary. Prior to that, he held various positions with Schneider National and International Utilities, a trucking conglomerate. He began his railroad career in 1981 with Missouri Pacific Railroad.

Rose holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Missouri, where he majored in marketing and minored in logistics. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Association of American Railroads; a member of the Board of Directors of the Center for Energy & Economic Development; a member of the Texas Governor's Business Council; a National Trustee of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America; a member of Northwestern University Transportation Center's Business Advisory Committee; a member of Business Roundtable; a member of The Business Council; a member of the Board of Trustees of Texas Christian University; a member of the Board of National Association of Manufacturers, and a member of the Boy Scouts of America National Executive Board.

Rose and his wife have two children and live in Westlake, Texas.

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