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Form 6-K
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of August 2008

Commission File Number 001-16429

ABB Ltd

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

P.O. Box 1831, Affolternstrasse 44, CH-8050, Zurich, Switzerland

(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes ☐

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This Form 6-K consists of the following:

Press release issued by ABB Ltd dated August 26, 2008.

Press Release

For your business and technology editors

Ravi Uppal to leave ABB

Head of Global Markets leaves for personal reasons

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Zurich, Switzerland, Aug. 26, 2008 Ravi Uppal, President of Global Markets and a member of the ABB Group Executive Committee since July 2007, has decided to relinquish from his position for personal reasons and plans to return to India to pursue a career outside ABB.

He will remain non-executive chairman of ABB in India, to help ensure continuity in the business in this rapidly growing market. A successor for his Zurich-based role as head of Global Markets will be announced in due course.

I fully understand and respect Ravi's decision, said Chief Executive Officer Michel Demaré. ABB has benefited greatly over the years from his energy, drive and business knowledge. He leaves a strong legacy of growth and achievement, and the ABB Executive Committee wishes him every success in the future.

Uppal joined ABB in 1980 and, after a five-year spell at Volvo, returned to the company as ABB country manager in India in 2001. Uppal steered a period of very profitable growth in the country and, as the regional manager for South Asia from 2005 until his appointment to the Executive Committee, contributed to ABB's development in the region.

ABB (www.abb.com) is a leader in power and automation technologies that enable utility and industry customers to improve their performance while lowering environmental impact. The ABB Group of companies operates in around 100 countries and employs about 115,000 people.

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SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

ABB LTD

Date: August 26, 2008

By: /s/ Michel Gerber
Name: Michel Gerber
Title: Group Senior Vice President and Head
of Investor Relations

By: /s/ Richard A. Brown
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