

ALEXANDER & BALDWIN INC

Form 8-K

August 21, 2009

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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): August 18, 2009

ALEXANDER & BALDWIN, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Hawaii  | 000-00565                | 99-0032630                              |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

822 Bishop Street, P. O. Box 3440  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96801  
(Address of principal executive office and zip code)

(808) 525-6611  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

As previously reported, the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Matson Navigation Company, Inc., were named as defendants in a consolidated civil lawsuit purporting to be a class action in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington in Seattle. The lawsuit alleged violations of the antitrust laws and also named as a defendant Horizon Lines, Inc., another domestic carrier operating in the Hawaii and Guam trades. On August 18, 2009, the court granted the defendants' motion to dismiss the complaint. The court granted plaintiffs leave to amend the complaint within thirty days to allege claims consistent with the court's Order. If the plaintiffs file an amended complaint, the Company and Matson will continue to vigorously defend themselves in this lawsuit.

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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.

Date: August 21, 2009

ALEXANDER & BALDWIN, INC.

/s/ Christopher J. Benjamin  
Christopher J. Benjamin  
Senior Vice President,  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer