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 28, 2009

THE MACERICH COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland

1-12504 (Commission File Number)

95-4448705 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

> 401 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700 Santa Monica, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

90401 (Zip Code)

(310) 394-6000

(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.**

In response to an inquiry from RiskMetrics Group, The Macerich Company confirms that, as of December 31, 2008, the weighted average remaining contractual term of outstanding stock options and stock appreciation rights was 8.97 years (with a weighted average remaining contractual term of 6.96 years for outstanding stock options and 9.20 years for outstanding stock appreciation rights).

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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.

> THE MACERICH COMPANY (Registrant)

Date: May 28, 2009

By:

/s/ Thomas E. O'Hern Thomas E. O'Hern Senior Executive Vice President. Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer