W P CAREY & CO LLC Form 8-K December 09, 2011

# 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): December 6, 2011

## W. P. CAREY & CO. LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-1377913-3912578(State or other(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 10020 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 492-1100

(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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# ITEM 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 6, 2011, Thomas J. Ridings, Jr. was named Chief Audit Executive of W. P. Carey & Co. LLC ( **W. P. Carey** ) and, as a result, will no longer be Chief Accounting Officer. Until the Chief Accounting Officer position is filled, the duties of the Chief Accounting Officer will be overseen by Hisham A. Kader ( **Mr. Kader** ), who currently serves as Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller of W. P. Carey. Mr. Kader, age 42, joined W. P. Carey in June 2011. Prior to joining W. P. Carey, Mr. Kader was a director in the Transaction Services practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ( **PwC** ). He joined PwC in 1997 in New York and spent six years at their offices in Sydney, Australia and Brussels, Belgium during which time he specialized in advisory services focusing on finance effectiveness, accounting standards conversions, mergers and acquisitions and capital raising transactions. Mr. Kader, a certified public accountant, holds a Bachelor s degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering from the Manipal Institute of Technology in India, an MBA in Finance from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and an MS in Accounting from Pace University. Mr. Kader will not receive any additional compensation for overseeing the duties of the Chief Accounting Officer.

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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.

W. P. Carey & Co. LLC

Date: December 9, 2011 By: /s/ Mark J. DeCesaris

Mark J. DeCesaris

Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer