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SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): January 21, 2010

The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	1-6686	13-1024020
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
1114 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York		10036
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-704-1200

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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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.**

(b) On January 21, 2010, the Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, announcing that Nick Brien has been designated to succeed John Dooner as Chief Executive Officer of McCann Worldgroup. The move will become effective April 1, 2010. Mr. Dooner will stay on as Chairman of McCann Worldgroup through 2010.

Item 9.01 **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated January 21, 2010 (filed pursuant to Item 5.02)

Cautionary Statement

This report contains forward-looking statements. Statements in this report that are not historical facts, including statements about management's beliefs and expectations, constitute forward-looking statements. These statements are based on current plans, estimates and projections, and are subject to change based on a number of factors, including those outlined under Item 1A, Risk Factors, in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events.

Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Such factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

- potential effects of a challenging economy, for example on the demand for our advertising and marketing services, on our clients' financial condition and on our business or financial condition;
- our ability to attract new clients and retain existing clients;
- our ability to retain and attract key employees;
- risks associated with assumptions we make in connection with our critical accounting estimates, including changes in assumptions associated with any effects of a weakened economy;
- potential adverse effects if we are required to recognize impairment charges or other adverse accounting-related developments;
- risks associated with the effects of global, national and regional economic and political conditions, including counterparty risks and fluctuations in economic growth rates, interest rates and currency exchange rates; and
- developments from changes in the regulatory and legal environment for advertising and marketing and communications services companies around the world.

Investors should carefully consider these factors and the additional risk factors outlined in more detail in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K under Item 1A, Risk Factors.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**INTERPUBLIC ANNOUNCES MANAGEMENT SUCCESSION
AT MCCANN WORLDGROUP**

***Effective April 1, Nick Brien to Assume CEO Role;
John Dooner Remains Chairman to Ensure Transition***

New York, NY – January 21, 2010 – The Interpublic Group (NYSE: IPG) announced today that Nick Brien has been designated to succeed John Dooner as CEO of McCann Worldgroup. The move, which will become effective April 1, is the culmination of a multi-year plan led by IPG's Chairman and CEO Michael Roth and its Board of Directors to ensure a seamless management transition at the holding company's largest operating unit. Mr. Dooner, who also played an active role in the process, will stay on as Chairman of McCann Worldgroup through 2010 to ensure a seamless transition.

"McCann Worldgroup is a global integrated marketing powerhouse and we wanted to be sure that the selection of new leadership was implemented as thoughtfully and thoroughly as possible," said Mr. Roth. "This will ensure that the agency's future lives up to its storied place in the history of our industry. With the guidance of the board and John's active participation, I am confident that we have considered the most comprehensive slate of candidates. Nick has experience at senior levels in agencies across the full range of marketing services and he's accomplished great things since joining us to lead UM a few years back – we are all in agreement that he is a terrific choice to lead McCann at this vital time of change and opportunity in media and marketing. John built the Worldgroup and has in recent years helped revitalize its offerings across multiple marketing disciplines. I know he is totally focused on helping Nick to achieve a smooth transition through the balance of this year. Beyond 2010, we will look for opportunities to continue tapping into John's unique range of experience as an advisor on global advertising matters."

Mr. Dooner added that "Nick has a vision of where our industry is going and how to position agencies to be ahead of these changes. He has the passion and drive that are required to lead a complex, global company. I am enormously proud of McCann Worldgroup's record of success and innovation and all of my colleagues who have helped set the standard for our industry and I'm confident Nick will do an extraordinary job to raise the bar even higher."

"Our industry is undergoing radical transformation. To keep pace with the changes being driven by emerging technology, it is vital to focus on collaboration, creativity and organizational flexibility," said Mr. Brien. "The turnaround at Mediabrands is a testament to these qualities, as well as to our partnership with the senior team at IPG. I look forward to working with McCann management, notably COO Eric Keshin and members of the Worldgroup board, to invigorate and accelerate the company's progress along a similar path to future success. And I am honored to be presented the opportunity to lead one of our industry's great brands."

Mr. Roth added that, in the wake of Mr. Brien's move to McCann Worldgroup, Mediabrands will be led by an Office of the Chairman, reporting directly to him. The Office of the Chairman will be comprised of Richard Beaven, CEO of Initiative, Tara Comonte, Mediabrands' COO and CFO, Matt Freeman, the recently-named CEO of Mediabrands Ventures and Matt Seiler, CEO of UM. A decision concerning a new CEO for Mediabrands is not contemplated until 2011.

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