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**Registration No. 333-**

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form S-8 registration statement

UNDER

**THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933** 

# Live Nation, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

20-3247759 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210 (310) 867-7000 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Live Nation, Inc. Employee Stock Bonus Plan (Full title of the plan)

> Michael G. Rowles General Counsel Live Nation, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, California 90210 (310) 867-7000

(Name, address and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

# CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed maximum	Proposed maximum	Amount of
	Amount to be	offering price per	aggregate offering	registration
Title of securities to be registered	registered(1)	share	price	fee
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share(2)	6,500,000	\$3.48(3)	\$22,620,000(3)	\$888.97

(1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this registration statement (this "Registration Statement") also covers an indeterminate number of additional shares that may be necessary to adjust the number of shares being issued pursuant to the plan as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

(2) Each share of common stock issued by the registrant includes one Series A junior participating preferred stock purchase right (the "Rights"), which initially attaches to and trades with the shares of common stock being registered hereby. The terms of the Rights are described in the Rights Agreement, filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 23, 2005, as amended by the First Amendment to Rights Agreement, filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 3, 2009.

(3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(h) and Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, based upon the average of the high and low prices of the common stock on February 25, 2009, as quoted on the New York Stock Exchange.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 is filed by Live Nation, Inc. (referred to herein as "our," "we," "us," "the Company" or "the Registrant") relating to 6,500,000 additional shares of our common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), issuable to our eligible employees and consultants under our Employee Stock Bonus Plan (the "Plan"). We have previously registered shares of Common Stock issuable under the Plan by Registration Statement No. 333-149901 on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on March 26, 2008. In accordance with General Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of this previously filed Registration Statement are incorporated by reference herein to the extent not modified or superseded hereby or thereby or by a subsequently filed document that is incorporated by reference herein or therein.

#### PART I

# **INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS**

The documents containing the information specified in Item 1 and Item 2 of Part I of this Registration Statement are omitted from this filing in accordance with the provisions of Rule 424 under the Securities Act, and the introductory note to Part I of Form S-8. The documents containing the information specified in Part I will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this Registration Statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

# PART II

# INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

See the attached Exhibit Index, which is incorporated herein by reference.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Beverly Hills, California, on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2009.

#### LIVE NATION, INC.

By: /s/ Kathy Willard

Kathy Willard

Chief Financial Officer

# **POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each of the undersigned officers and directors of Live Nation, Inc., a Delaware corporation, hereby constitutes and appoints Michael Rapino and Kathy Willard, and each of them, acting individually and without the other, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments, exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or either of them individually, or their or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Name	Title	Date
/s/ Michael Rapino Michael Rapino	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	March 3, 2009
/s/ Kathy Willard Kathy Willard	Chief Financial Officer	March 3, 2009
/s/ Brian Capo Brian Capo	Chief Accounting Officer	March 3, 2009
Ariel Emanuel	Director	
/s/ Robert Ted Enloe, III Robert Ted Enloe, III	Director	March 3, 2009
s/ Jeffrey T. Hinson Jeffrey T. Hinson	Director	March 3, 2009
s/ James S. Kahan James S. Kahan	Director	March 3, 2009
s/ L. Lowry Mays L. Lowry Mays	Director	March 3, 2009
s/ Randall T. Mays Randall T. Mays	Director	March 3, 2009
s/ Connie McCombs McNab Connie McCombs McNab	Director	March 3, 2009
s/ Mark Shapiro Mark Shapiro	Director	March 3, 2009
Harvey Weinstein	Director	

# EXHIBIT INDEX

#### Exhibit Number

- Number
   Exhibit Description

   4.1
   Rights Agreement between CCE Spinco, Inc. and The Bank of New York, as rights agent, dated December 21, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 23, 2005).
- 4.2 First Amendment to Rights Agreement between Live Nation, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon, dated February 25, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 3, 2009).
- 4.3 Form of Certificate of Designations of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 23, 2005).
- 4.4 Form of Right Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 23, 2005).
- 5.1 Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP regarding the legality of the securities being offered.
- 10.1 Live Nation, Inc. Employee Stock Bonus Plan dated March 13, 2008 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 19, 2008).
- 10.2 First Amendment to the Live Nation, Inc. Employee Stock Bonus Plan dated February 25, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 3, 2009).
- 23.1 Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 23.2 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- 24.1 Power of Attorney (included in this Registration Statement under "Signatures").

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#### Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Live Nation, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the registration of an aggregate of 6,500,000 additional shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Shares"), of the Company, and associated Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock purchase rights (the "Rights") to be issued pursuant to the Rights Agreement, dated as of December 21, 2005, between the Company and The Bank of New York, as rights agent, issuable pursuant to the Live Nation, Inc. Employee Stock Bonus Plan, as amended (the "Plan"). The Shares and associated Rights are included in a registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on March 3, 2009 (the "Registration Statement"). This opinion is being furnished in connection with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Act, and no opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement or any related Prospectus, other than as expressly stated herein with respect to the issuance of the Shares and associated Rights.

As such counsel, we have examined such matters of fact and questions of law as we have considered appropriate for purposes of this letter. With your consent, we have relied upon certificates and other assurances of officers of the Company and others as to factual matters without having independently verified such factual matters. We are opining herein as to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, and we express no opinion with respect to any other laws.

Subject to the foregoing and the other matters set forth herein, it is our opinion that, as of the date hereof, when the Shares shall have been duly registered on the books of the transfer agent and registrar therefor in the name or on behalf of the recipient, and have been issued by the Company in the circumstances contemplated by the Plan, the issuance of the Shares will have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the Company, and the Shares and associated Rights will be validly issued, and the Shares will be fully paid and nonassessable.

This opinion is for your benefit in connection with the Registration Statement and may be relied upon by you and by persons entitled to rely upon it pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act. We consent to your filing this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Latham & Watkins LLP

# Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-8 pertaining to the Employee Stock Bonus Plan of Live Nation, Inc. of our reports dated February 27, 2008, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Live Nation, Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2007, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Live Nation, Inc. filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California March 2, 2009