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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## **FLUOR CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 6700 Las Colinas Boulevard Irving, Texas 75039 (469) 398-7000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices) **33-0927079** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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**Chief Legal Officer and Secretary** 

#### **Fluor Corporation**

#### 6700 Las Colinas Boulevard

#### Irving, Texas 75039 (469) 398-7000

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# Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. O

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ) other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. X

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. O

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If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. X

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. O

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Large accelerated filer X

Accelerated filer 0

Non-accelerated filer O (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company O

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered Amount to be Registered/Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit/Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price/Amount of Registration Fee (1)(2)

Debt Securities Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share Warrants

(1) There is being registered hereunder such indeterminate number or amount of debt securities, common stock, preferred stock and warrants as may from time to time be issued at indeterminate prices and as may be issued upon conversion, redemption, exchange, exercise or settlement of any securities registered hereunder, including under any applicable antidilution provisions. Any securities registered hereunder may be sold separately or as units with other securities registered hereunder or other securities.

(2) In reliance on Rule 456(b) and Rule 457(r) under the Securities Act, the Registrant hereby defers payment of the registration fee required in connection with this Registration Statement, except for \$53,827.21 that has already been paid by the Registrant with respect to securities that were previously registered pursuant to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-121626) initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 23, 2004 (the Prior Registration Statement ), and were not sold thereunder. Pursuant to Rule 457(p) under the Securities Act, such unutilized filing fee may be applied to the filing fee payable pursuant to this Registration Statement and be available to be utilized to offset the filing fee due for this Registration Statement until five years from the initial filing date of the Prior Registration Statement. Accordingly, no filing fee is paid herewith.

#### PROSPECTUS

**Debt Securities** 

**Common Stock** 

**Preferred Stock** 

Warrants

We will provide the specific terms of the securities in supplements to this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any supplement carefully before you invest. No person may use this prospectus to offer and sell our securities unless a prospectus supplement accompanies this prospectus.

We may offer from time to time:

- Debt Securities;
- Common Stock;
- Preferred Stock; and
- Warrants.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol FLR. We may offer and sell the securities to or through one or more underwriters, dealers or agents, or directly to purchasers, on a continued or delayed basis. The names of any underwriters, dealers or agents and the terms of the arrangements with such entities will be stated in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Investing in these securities involves risks. Please read carefully Risk Factors beginning on page 5 of this prospectus for a discussion of risks you should consider before investing.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined whether this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is December 15, 2008.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

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This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (referred to as the SEC in this prospectus) using a shelf registration process. Using this process, we may offer any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we use this prospectus to offer securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will describe the specific terms of that offering, including the names of any underwriters participating in the offering, the compensation of those underwriters and the net proceeds to us. Any dealers or agents participating in the offering may be deemed underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (referred to as the Securities Act in this prospectus). The prospectus supplement may also add to, update or change the information contained in this prospectus. Please carefully read this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement and any free-writing prospectus together with the information contained in the documents we refer to under the heading. Where You Can Find More Information.

You should rely only on the information we have provided or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement and any free-writing prospectus. We have not authorized any person, including any salesman or broker, to provide you with additional or different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should assume that the information in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement and any free-writing prospectus is accurate only as of the date on its cover page and that any information we have incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since such dates.

Unless we have indicated otherwise, references in this prospectus to Fluor, we, us and our or similar terms are to Fluor Corporation, a Delaward corporation, and its consolidated subsidiaries and divisions.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (referred to as the Exchange Act in this prospectus), and in accordance therewith we file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any reports, statements or other information we file with the SEC at its public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Our SEC filings are also available to the public from commercial document retrieval services and at the worldwide web site maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov. You may also inspect those reports, proxy statements and other information concerning us at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005, on which shares of our common stock are currently listed.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 relating to the securities covered by this prospectus. This prospectus is a part of the registration statement and does not contain all the information in the registration statement. Whenever a reference is made in this prospectus to a contract or other document of ours or one of our subsidiaries, the reference is only a summary and you should refer to the exhibits that are a part of the registration statement for a copy of the contract or other document. You may review a copy of the registration statement at the SEC s public reference room in Washington, D.C., as well as through the SEC s web site.

### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows information to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus, which means that important information can be disclosed to you by referring you to another document filed separately by us with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is deemed to be part of this prospectus, except for any information superseded by information in this prospectus. This prospectus incorporates by reference the documents set forth below that we previously filed with the SEC. These documents contain important information about us.

• our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007;

• our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2008, June 30, 2008 and September 30, 2008;

• our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 4, 2008, February 5, 2008, February 28, 2008, March 13, 2008, March 19, 2008, May 9, 2008, May 12, 2008, May 14, 2008, August 6, 2008, August 11, 2008 and November 6, 2008, in each case other than information furnished under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K; and

• The description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 10 filed with the SEC on September 20, 2000 (as amended by Amendment No. 1 thereto on Form 10/A, filed with the SEC on November 22, 2000).

All additional documents that we file with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (other than information furnished under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K) will be incorporated by reference until the offering or offerings to which this prospectus relates are completed.

Documents incorporated by reference are available from us without charge, excluding exhibits unless an exhibit has been specifically incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You may obtain without charge a copy of documents that are incorporated by reference in this prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone at the following address: Fluor Corporation, 6700 Las Colinas Boulevard, Irving, Texas 75039, Attention: Investor Relations. Our telephone number at such address is (469) 398-7000.

### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement include or incorporate by reference forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this prospectus or an accompanying prospectus supplement or in the documents incorporated by reference regarding our projected revenue and earnings levels, new awards and backlog levels and the implementation of strategic initiatives and organizational changes are forward-looking statements. When used in this prospectus or an accompanying prospectus supplement or in the documents incorporated by reference, the words anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, intend, may, plan, project, should and similar expressions are intended statements that identify forward-looking statements. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that such expectations will prove to be correct. These forward-looking statements reflect current analysis of existing information and are subject to various risks and uncertainties. As a result, caution must be exercised in relying on forward-looking statements. Due to known and unknown risks, our actual results may differ materially from our expectations or projections, and we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statement for any reason, except as required by law. Factors potentially contributing to such differences include, among others:

• The current worldwide financial crisis, which may cause or accelerate a number of the other factors listed below;

• Customer cancellations of, or scope adjustments to, existing contracts, including our government contracts that may be terminated at any time;

• Decreased capital investment or expenditures, or a failure to make anticipated increased capital investment or expenditures, by our customers;

- The availability of credit and restrictions imposed by credit facilities, both for us and our customers;
- Customer delays or defaults in making payments;

• The cyclical nature of many of the markets we serve and their vulnerability to downturns such as the current worldwide economic downturn;

• Our failure to receive anticipated new contract awards and the related impacts on staffing levels and cost;

• Difficulties or delays incurred in the execution of contracts, including performance by our joint venture or teaming partners, resulting in cost overruns or liabilities;

• Changes in global business, economic (including currency risk), political and social conditions;

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• Failure to meet timely completion or performance standards that could result in higher cost and reduced profits or, in some cases losses on projects;

- Possible limitations of bonding or letter of credit capacity;
- Our ability to hire and retain qualified personnel;
- Competition in the global engineering, procurement and construction industry;
- A failure to obtain favorable results in existing or future litigation or dispute resolution proceedings;
- Our ability to identify and successfully integrate acquisitions;

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• The potential impact of certain tax matters including, but not limited to, those from foreign operations and the ongoing audits by tax authorities;

• Civil unrest, security issues, labor conditions and other unforeseeable events in the countries in which we do business, resulting in unanticipated losses on fixed-price projects;

- The impact of past and future environmental, health and safety regulations;
- The impact of anti-bribery and international trade laws and regulations;
- Our ability to secure appropriate insurance;

• Limitations on cash transfers from subsidiaries that may restrict our ability to satisfy financial obligations or to pay interest or principal when due on outstanding debt;

- Restrictions on possible transactions imposed by Delaware law; and
- Possible systems and information technology interruptions.

These factors include those referenced or described under Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and in our other filings with the SEC. We cannot control such risk factors and other uncertainties, and in many cases, we cannot predict the risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. You should consider these risks and uncertainties when you are evaluating us and deciding whether to invest in our securities.

#### ABOUT FLUOR CORPORATION

Fluor is a leading provider of services on a global basis in the fields of engineering, procurement, construction, maintenance and project management. We are a Delaware corporation with our principal executive offices located at 6700 Las Colinas Boulevard, Irving, Texas 75039. Our telephone number at such address is (469) 398-7000, and our website is www.fluor.com. Information contained on our website is not intended to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus and you should not consider that information a part of this prospectus. Our website address is included in this prospectus as an inactive textual reference only.

**RISK FACTORS** 

Before you invest in the securities registered under this prospectus, you should carefully consider the Risk Factors included in our most recent annual report on Form 10-K, subsequent quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and the applicable prospectus supplement, as well as risks described in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and cautionary notes regarding forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, together with all of the other information included in this prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplement and the documents we incorporate by reference.

If any of these risks were to materialize, our business, results of operations, cash flows and financial condition could be materially and adversely affected. In that case, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders or to pay interest on, or principal of, any debt securities issued by us, may be reduced, the trading prices of any of our publicly traded securities could decline and you could lose all or part of your investment.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless we inform you otherwise in the prospectus supplement, we expect to use the net proceeds from the sale of securities for general corporate purposes. These purposes may include:

• capital expenditures;

• acquisitions;

- working capital;
- repayment or refinancing of debt; and
- repurchases and redemptions of securities.

Pending any specific application, we may initially invest funds in short-term marketable securities or apply them to the reduction of short-term indebtedness.

#### **RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES**

We have presented in the table below our historical consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods shown.

		Years	Ended December 31,			Nine Months Ended September 30,
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Ratio of earnings to fixed						
charges	7.75x	6.93x	6.51x	6.52x	9.83x	17.44x

We have computed the ratios of earnings to fixed charges by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, earnings consist of earnings from continuing operations before provision for income taxes plus fixed charges less equity in earnings from less than 50 percent owned persons, net of distributions. Fixed charges consist of interest and that portion of rental expense we have deemed to represent the interest factor.

We had no preferred stock outstanding for any period presented, and accordingly, the ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends is the same as the ratio of earnings to fixed charges.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES

The following is a general description of the debt securities that we may offer from time to time. The particular terms of the debt securities offered by any prospectus supplement and the extent, if any, to which the general provisions described below may apply to those securities will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. As you read this section, please remember that the specific terms of a debt security as described in the applicable prospectus supplement will supplement and may modify or replace the general terms described in this section. If there are any differences between the applicable prospectus supplement and this prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplement will control. As a result, the statements we make in this section may not apply to the debt security you purchase.

As used in this Description of the Debt Securities, the Company refers to Fluor Corporation, and does not, unless the context otherwise indicates, include our subsidiaries.

Capitalized terms used but not defined in this section have the respective meanings set forth in the applicable indenture.

#### General

The debt securities that we offer will be either senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities. We will issue senior debt securities under an indenture, which we refer to as the senior indenture, to be entered into between us and a trustee to be named therein. We will issue subordinated debt securities under a different indenture, which we refer to as the subordinated indenture, to be entered into between us

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and a trustee to be named therein. We refer to both the senior indenture and the subordinated indenture as the indentures, and to the trustee under each of the indentures as a trustee. In addition, the indentures may be supplemented or amended as necessary to set forth the terms of the debt securities issued under the indentures. You should read the indentures, including any amendments or supplements, carefully to fully understand the terms of the debt securities. The forms of the indentures have been filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. The indentures are subject to, and are governed by, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

The debt securities will be direct obligations of the Company and will not constitute obligations of our subsidiaries. Because we are a holding company, however, our ability to meet our debt obligations depends upon the earnings of, and dividends and other payments from, our subsidiaries. Furthermore, the debt securities offered hereby will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities of our subsidiaries. Creditors of our subsidiaries are entitled to a claim on the assets of those subsidiaries. Consequently, in the event of a liquidation or reorganization of any subsidiary, creditors of the subsidiary are likely to be paid in full before any distribution is made to the Company and holders of debt securities, except to the extent that the Company is itself recognized as a creditor of such subsidiary, in which case the Company s claims would still be subordinate to any security interests in the assets of such subsidiary and any debt of such subsidiary senior to that held by the Company.

The senior debt securities will be unsubordinated obligations of the Company. They will be unsecured and will rank equally with each other and all of our other unsubordinated debt, unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement. The subordinated debt securities will be subordinated, in right of payment, to the prior payment in full of our senior debt. See Subordination of Subordinated Debt Securities. The subordinated debt securities will be unsecured and will rank equally with each other, unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement. We will indicate in each applicable prospectus supplement, as of the most recent practicable date, the aggregate amount of our outstanding debt that would rank senior to the subordinated debt securities.

The indentures do not limit the amount of debt securities that can be issued thereunder and provide that debt securities of any series may be issued thereunder up to the aggregate principal amount that we may authorize from time to time. The indentures do not limit the amount of other indebtedness or securities that we may issue. We may issue debt securities of the same series at more than one time and, unless prohibited by the terms of the series, we may reopen a series for issuances of additional debt securities, without the consent of the holders of the outstanding debt securities of that series.

Reference is made to the prospectus supplement for the following and other possible terms of each series of the debt securities in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered:

- the title of the debt securities;
- any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities;

• if other than 100 percent of the principal amount, the percentage of their principal amount at which the debt securities will be offered;

• the date or dates on which the principal of the debt securities will be payable, or method of determination thereof;

• the rate or rates, or method of determination thereof, at which the debt securities will bear interest, if any, the date or dates from which any such interest will accrue and on which such interest will be payable, and the record dates for the determination of the holders to whom interest is payable;

• if other than as set forth herein, the place or places where the principal of and interest, if any, on the debt securities will be payable;

• the price or prices at which, the period or periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which debt securities may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at our option;

• if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of the debt securities payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof;

• if other than U.S. dollars, the foreign currencies or units based on or related to foreign currencies in which the debt securities may be denominated or payable;

• our obligation, if any, to redeem, repurchase or repay debt securities, whether pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or pursuant to other provisions set forth therein or at the option of a holder thereof;

• the right, if any, of ours to extend the interest payment periods or defer the payment of interest on the debt securities and the duration of such extensions or deferral;

• the form of the debt securities, including such legends as required by law or as we deem necessary or appropriate and the form of any temporary global security that may be issued;

• the ranking of such debt securities as senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities;

• whether there are, and, if so, the name of, any authentication agents, paying agents, transfer agents or registrars with respect to the debt securities;

• whether the debt securities are convertible into shares of our common stock and, if so, the terms and conditions of such conversion;

• any other restrictive covenants, additional events of default or changes to the events of default set forth in the indentures that will apply to the debt securities (see Events of Default below);

if exercised, our right to defease the covenants applicable to the debt securities;

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#### whether the debt securities are subject to a periodic offering; and

• any other terms or conditions not inconsistent with the provisions of the indenture under which the debt securities will be issued.

Principal when used herein includes any premium on any series of the debt securities.

Some of the debt securities may be issued as discounted debt securities to be sold at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. The prospectus supplement will describe any federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to discounted debt securities.

Unless otherwise provided in the prospectus supplement relating to any debt securities, principal and interest, if any, will be payable, and transfers of the debt securities may be registered, at the office or offices or agency we maintain for such purposes. Payment of interest on the debt securities, however, will be paid to such persons appearing on the security register. Interest on the debt securities will be payable on any interest payment date to the persons in whose name the debt securities are registered at the close of business on the record date for such interest payment.

Unless otherwise specified in the prospectus supplement, the debt securities may be issued only in fully registered form in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof. Additionally, the debt securities may be represented in whole or in part by one or more global notes registered in the name of a depositary or its nominee and, if so represented, interests in such global note will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected only through, records maintained by the designated depository and its participants.

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The debt securities may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of debt securities of the same series and date of maturity in such authorized denominations as may be requested upon surrender of the debt securities at an agency of the Company maintained for such purpose and upon fulfillment of all other requirements of such agent. No service charge will be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of the debt securities, but we may require payment of an amount sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

The indentures require the annual filing by the Company with the trustee of a certificate as to compliance with certain covenants contained in the indentures.

We will comply with Section 14(e) under the Exchange Act, to the extent applicable, and any other tender offer rules under the Exchange Act which may then be applicable, in connection with any obligation to purchase debt securities at the option of the holders thereof. Any such obligation applicable to a series of debt securities will be described in the prospectus supplement relating thereto.

Unless otherwise described in a prospectus supplement relating to any debt securities, there are no covenants or provisions contained in the indentures that may afford the holders of debt securities protection in the event that we enter into a highly-leveraged transaction.

The statements made hereunder relating to the indentures and the debt securities are summaries of certain provisions thereof, do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to all provisions of the indentures and the debt securities.

#### **Events of Default**

An Event of Default with respect to the debt securities of any series is defined in the indentures as:

• default in the payment of any installment of interest upon any of the debt securities of such series as and when the same shall become due and payable, and continuance of such default for a period of 30 days;

• default in the payment of all or any part of the principal of any of the debt securities of such series as and when the same shall become due and payable either at maturity, upon any redemption, by declaration or otherwise;

• default in the performance or breach of any other covenant or warranty contained in the debt securities of such series or set forth in the applicable indenture (other than a covenant or warranty included in the applicable indenture solely for the benefit of one or more series of debt securities other than such series) and continuance of such default or breach for a period of 90 days after due notice by the trustee or by the holders of at least 25 percent in

### DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES

#### principal amount of the outstanding securities of such series; or

#### certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of the Company.

Additional Events of Default may be added for the benefit of holders of certain series of debt securities which, if added, will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to such debt securities.

The indentures provide that the trustee shall notify the holders of debt securities of each series of any continuing default known to the trustee which has occurred with respect to such series within 90 days after the occurrence thereof. The indentures provide that, notwithstanding the foregoing, except in the case of default in the payment of the principal of, or interest, if any, on any of the debt securities of such series, the trustee may withhold such notice if the trustee in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the holders of debt securities of such series.

The indentures provide that if an Event of Default with respect to any series of debt securities shall have occurred and be continuing, either the trustee or the holders of not less than 25 percent in aggregate principal

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amount of debt securities of such series then outstanding may declare the principal amount of all debt securities of such series to be due and payable immediately, but upon certain conditions such declaration may be annulled. Any past defaults and the consequences thereof, except a default in the payment of principal of or interest, if any, on debt securities of such series, may be waived by the holders of a majority in principal amount of the debt securities of such series then outstanding.

In case an Event of Default with respect to any series of debt securities shall occur and be continuing, the trustee shall not be under any obligation to exercise any of the trusts or powers vested in it by the indentures at the request or direction of any of the holders of such series, unless such holders shall have offered to such trustee reasonable security or indemnity. The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of each series affected and then outstanding shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee under the applicable indenture or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee with respect to the debt securities of such series; provided that the trustee may refuse to follow any direction which is in conflict with any law or such indenture and subject to certain other limitations.

No holder of any debt security of any series will have any right by virtue or by availing of any provision of the indentures to institute any proceeding at law or in equity or in bankruptcy or otherwise with respect to the indentures or for any remedy thereunder, unless such holder shall have previously given the trustee written notice of an Event of Default with respect to debt securities of such series and unless the holders of at least 25 percent in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of such series shall have made written request, and offered reasonable indemnity, to the trustee to institute such proceeding as trustee, and the trustee shall have failed to institute such proceeding within 60 days after its receipt of such request, and the trustee shall not have received from the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt security on or after the due dates expressed in such debt security, or to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such holder.

#### Merger

Each indenture provides that the Company may consolidate with, sell, convey or lease all or substantially all of its assets to, or merge with or into, any other corporation, if:

• either the Company is the continuing corporation or the successor corporation is a domestic corporation and expressly assumes the due and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all the debt securities outstanding under such indenture according to their tenor and the due and punctual performance and observance of all of the covenants and conditions of such indenture to be performed or observed by the Company; and

• immediately after such merger, consolidation, sale, conveyance or lease, the Company or such successor corporation, as the case may be, is not in material default in the performance or observance of any such covenant or condition.

In case of any such consolidation, merger, sale, lease or conveyance, any successor corporation will succeed to and be substituted for the Company under the indentures, with the same effect as if it had been named in the indentures.

#### **Modification of the Indentures**

The indentures contain provisions permitting the Company and the trustee, with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of each series at the time outstanding under the indenture affected thereby, to execute supplemental indentures adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of, the applicable indenture or any supplemental indenture or modifying in any manner the rights of the holders of the debt securities of each such series. No such supplemental indenture, however, may:

• extend the final maturity date of any debt security, or reduce the principal amount thereof, or reduce the rate or extend the time of payment of any interest thereon, or reduce any amount payable on redemption thereof, or impair or affect the right of any holder of debt securities to institute suit for payment thereof or, if the debt securities provide therefor, any right of repayment at the option of the holders of the debt securities, without the consent of the holder of each debt security so affected;

• reduce the percentage of debt securities of such series, the consent of the holders of which is required for any such supplemental indenture, without the consent of the holders of all debt securities of such series so affected; or

• reduce the amount of principal payable upon acceleration of the maturity date of any security that provides for an amount less than the principal to be due and payable upon such acceleration.

Additionally, the Company and the trustee may execute supplemental indentures without the consent of the holders of debt securities:

• to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property or assets to the trustee as security for one or more series of debt securities or to provide that any of the Company s obligations under any debt security or the related indenture will be guaranteed and the terms and conditions for the release or substitution of such security or guarantee;

• to evidence the succession of another entity to the Company, or successive successions, and the assumptions by the successor entity of the covenants, agreements and obligations of the Company;

• to add to the covenants of the Company such further covenants, restrictions, conditions, or provisions for the protection of the holders of any series of debt securities and, if such additional covenants are to be for the benefit of less than all the series of debt securities, stating that such covenants are being added solely for the benefit of such series;

• to add additional events of default for the benefit of holders of certain series of debt securities (see Events of Default above);

• to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any provision contained in the indenture or in any supplemental indenture that may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision contained in the indenture or in any supplemental indenture, or to make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under the

indenture or any supplemental indenture as the board of directors may deem necessary or desirable and that does not materially and adversely affect the interests of the holders of the debt securities;

• to establish the form or terms of debt securities of any series as permitted by the applicable indenture; or

• to evidence and provide for the acceptance of the appointment by a successor trustee and to add to or change any provisions as are necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts by more than one trustee.

#### **Discharge and Defeasance**

*Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture.* The indentures provide, if such provision is made applicable to the debt securities of a series, that if (i) the Company has paid the principal of and interest on all outstanding debt securities when due and payable, (ii) the Company has delivered to the trustee for cancellation all debt securities that were previously authenticated, or (iii) such debt securities have become due and payable, or are by their terms to become due and payable within one year or are to be called for redemption within one year, and the Company has irrevocably deposited with the trustee, in trust for such purpose, funds or Government Obligations (as defined below), which through the payment of principal and interest in accordance with their terms will provide funds in an

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amount sufficient to pay the principal of and premium and interest, if any, on the outstanding debt securities of such series, and any mandatory sinking fund payments thereon, on the scheduled due dates therefor, then the Company may elect to terminate, and be deemed to have satisfied and to be discharged from, all its obligations under the indenture with respect to such series of debt securities except for the obligations to register the transfer or exchange of such debt securities, to replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen debt securities, to maintain an office or agency in respect of such debt securities, to compensate and indemnify the trustee and to pay or cause to be paid the principal of, and interest, if any, on all debt securities of such series when due. For this purpose, Government Obligations means securities that are (1) direct obligations of the U.S. government or (2) obligations of an entity or agency controlled or supervised by the U.S. government, and that in either case are full faith and credit obligations of the U.S. government.

*Defeasance.* The indentures provide, if such provision is made applicable to the debt securities of a series, that the Company may defease the covenants applicable to any series of debt securities. For this purpose, defeasance means that the Company will be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness represented by the outstanding securities of a series of debt securities and to have satisfied all other obligations under such debt securities and the related indenture, except for certain specified obligations, including the following:

• the rights of the holders of such debt securities to receive payments in respect of the principal of and interest on such securities when such payments are due;

• the Company s obligations to register the transfer or exchange of such debt securities, to replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen debt securities, to maintain an office or agency in respect of such debt securities, to compensate and indemnify the trustee and to pay or cause to be paid the principal of, and interest, if any, on all debt securities of such series when due; and

• the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the trustee.

This covenant defeasance may only occur if the following conditions are met:

• the Company has irrevocably deposited with the trustee, in trust for such purpose, funds or Government Obligations, which in accordance with their terms will provide funds in an amount sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized independent registered public accounting firm, to pay the principal of and each installment of interest on the outstanding securities of the series of debt securities and any mandatory sinking fund or analogous payments thereon, on the scheduled due dates therefor;

• no Event of Default shall have occurred or be continuing;

• the defeasance shall not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under the applicable indenture;

• the Company has delivered to the trustee an opinion of counsel with regard to certain matters, including an opinion to the effect that the holders of such debt securities will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such deposit and discharge and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such deposit and defeasance had not occurred, and which opinion of counsel must be based upon:

• a ruling of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service to the same effect; or

• a change in applicable U.S. federal income tax law after the date of the indenture such that a ruling is no longer required; and

• the Company has delivered to the trustee an officers certificate and opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for in the applicable indenture relating to the deposit and defeasance have been complied with.

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The prospectus supplement may further describe these or other provisions, if any, permitting defeasance with respect to the debt securities of any series.

#### Subordination

The senior debt securities will constitute part of our Senior Indebtedness and will rank pari passu with all outstanding senior debt.

Except as set forth in the related prospectus supplement, the subordinated debt securities will be subordinated, in right of payment, to the prior payment in full of our Senior Indebtedness, including the senior debt securities, whether outstanding at the date of the subordinated indenture or thereafter incurred, assumed or guaranteed.

Except as set forth in the related prospectus supplement, Senior Indebtedness means:

- the principal of and premium, if any, and unpaid interest on indebtedness for money borrowed;
- purchase money and similar obligations;

• obligations under capital leases or leases of property or assets made as part of any sale and leaseback transaction;

• guarantees, assumptions or purchase commitments relating to, or other transactions as a result of which the Company is responsible for the payment of, such indebtedness of others;

• renewals, extensions and refunding of any such indebtedness;

• interest or obligations in respect of any such indebtedness accruing after the commencement of any insolvency or bankruptcy proceedings; and

# • obligations associated with derivative products such as interest rate and currency exchange contracts, foreign exchange contracts, commodity contracts, and similar arrangements;

unless, in each case, the instrument by which the Company incurred, assumed or guaranteed the indebtedness or obligations described above expressly provides that such indebtedness or obligation is not senior in right of payment to the subordinated debt securities.

Upon any distribution of the Company s assets in connection with any dissolution, winding up, liquidation or reorganization of the Company, whether in a bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or receivership proceeding or upon an assignment for the benefit of creditors or any other marshalling of the Company s assets and liabilities or otherwise, except a distribution in connection with a merger or consolidation or a conveyance or transfer of all or substantially all of the properties of the Company in accordance with the subordinated indenture, the holders of all Senior Indebtedness shall first be entitled to receive payment of the full amount due thereon before the holders of any of the subordinated debt securities are entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated debt securities are entitled to receive any payment in the vent that the principal of the subordinated debt securities of any series shall have been declared due and payable pursuant to the subordinated indenture and such declaration shall not have been rescinded and annulled, the holders of all Senior Indebtedness outstanding at the time of such declaration shall first be entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated debt securities are entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated debt securities are entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated debt securities of any series shall have been declared due and payable pursuant to the subordinated indenture and such declaration shall not have been rescinded and annulled, the holders of all Senior Indebtedness outstanding at the time of such declaration shall first be entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated debt securities are entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated debt securities are entitled to receive any payment in respect of the subordinated indenture and such declaration shall not have been rescinded and annulled, the holders of all Senior Indebtedness outstanding at the time of such

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This subordination will not prevent the occurrence of any event of default with respect to the subordinated debt securities.

#### **Global Debt Securities**

The debt securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, a depository (a Debt Depository ) identified in the applicable prospectus supplement. Global securities may be issued in either registered or bearer form and in either temporary or permanent form. Unless otherwise provided in such prospectus supplement, debt securities that are represented by a global security will be issued in denominations of \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof and will be issued in registered form only, without coupons. Payments of principal of, and interest, if any, on debt securities represented by a global security will be made by the Company to the trustee under the applicable indenture, and then forwarded to the Debt Depository.

We anticipate that any global securities will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company (DTC), and that such global securities will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., DTC s nominee. We further anticipate that the following provisions will apply to the depository arrangements with respect to any such global securities. Any additional or differing terms of the depository arrangements will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to a particular series of debt securities issued in the form of global securities.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of a global security, DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole Holder of the debt securities represented by such global security for all purposes under the applicable indenture. Except as described below, owners of beneficial interests in a global security will not be entitled to have debt securities represented by such global security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of debt securities in certificated form and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the applicable indenture. The laws of some states require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in certificated form. Such laws may limit the transferability of beneficial interests in a global security.

If DTC is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as depository or if at any time DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act if so required by applicable law or regulation, and, in either case, we do not appoint a successor Debt Depository within 90 days, we will issue individual debt securities in certificated form in exchange for the global securities. In addition, we may request, at any time and subject to the procedures of DTC, not to have any debt securities represented by one or more global securities, and, in such event, will issue individual debt securities in certificated form in exchange for the relevant global securities upon the request of DTC participants. In any such instance, an owner of a beneficial interest in a global security will be entitled to physical delivery of individual debt securities in certificated form registered in its name. Unless otherwise described in the applicable prospectus supplement, debt securities so issued in certificated form will be issued in denominations of \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and will be issued in registered form only, without coupons.

DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that its participants (Participants) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the settlement among Participants of securities transactions, such as transfers and pledges, in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in Participants accounts, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations (Direct Participants). DTC is owned by a number of its Direct Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others, such as securities brokers and dealers, and banks and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship

## DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES

with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ( Indirect Participants ). The rules applicable to DTC and its Participants are on file with the SEC.

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Purchases of debt securities under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the debt securities on DTC s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each debt security (Beneficial Owner) is in turn recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants records. A Beneficial Owner does not receive written confirmation from DTC of its purchase, but is expected to receive a written confirmation providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of its holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participants through which such Beneficial Owner entered into the action. Transfers of ownership interests in debt securities are accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners do not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in debt securities, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the debt securities is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, the debt securities are registered in the name of DTC s partnership nominee, Cede & Co. The deposit of the debt securities with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. will effect no change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the debt securities; DTC records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts debt securities are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Participants remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Delivery of notice and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners are governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. consents or votes with respect to the debt securities. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails a proxy (an Omnibus Proxy ) to the issuer as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co. s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the debt securities are credited on the record date (identified on a list attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments, if any, on the debt securities will be made to DTC. DTC s practice is to credit Direct Participants accounts on the payment date in accordance with their respective holdings as shown on DTC s records, unless DTC has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on the payment date. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners are governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and are the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the trustee or us, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest, if any, to DTC is our or the trustee s responsibility, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants is DTC s responsibility, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners is the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the debt securities at any time by giving reasonable notice to us or the trustee. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not appointed, debt security certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

We may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC or a successor securities depository. In that event, debt security certificates will be printed and delivered.

We have obtained the information in this section concerning DTC and DTC s book-entry system from sources that we believe to be reliable, but we take no responsibility for the accuracy of this information.

None of us, any underwriter or agent, the trustee or any applicable paying agent will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial interests in a global security, or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial interest.

#### No Personal Liability of Incorporators, Stockholders, Officers or Directors

The indentures provide that no recourse shall be had under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement of ours in the indentures or in any of the debt securities, against any incorporator, stockholder, officer or director of

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ours or of any successor person thereof under any law, statute or constitutional provision or by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding or otherwise. Each holder of the debt securities, by accepting the securities, waives and releases all such liability.

#### **Concerning the Trustee**

The indentures provide that, except during the continuance of an event of default, the trustee will not be liable, except for the performance of such duties as are specifically set forth in the indentures. If an event of default has occurred and is continuing, the trustee will exercise such rights and powers vested in it under the indentures and will use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise as a prudent person would exercise under the circumstances in the conduct of such person s own affairs.

#### **Governing Law**

The indentures and the debt securities will be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of New York (other than principles of law that would apply the law of another jurisdiction).

#### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following description of the material terms of our common stock is based on the provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation. For more information as to how you can obtain a current copy of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, see Where You Can Find More Information .

Our authorized capital stock consists of 375,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share. As of December 1, 2008, 181,535,440 shares of our common stock were issued and outstanding and held of record by approximately 7,555 holders; no shares of our preferred stock were issued or outstanding.

#### **Common Stock**

#### Voting Rights

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters voted on generally by stockholders. Except as otherwise required by law or with respect to any outstanding series of our preferred stock, the holders of our common stock possess all voting power. Our bylaws generally provide that stockholder action is effective upon majority vote. However, an affirmative vote of the holders of at least 80 percent of the voting power of outstanding shares is required to:

• amend or repeal the bylaws (although our board of directors may amend or repeal the bylaws upon a majority vote);

• merge or consolidate with another corporation or entity, which together with its affiliates, beneficially owns more than 15 percent of the voting power of outstanding shares of Fluor, such other corporation and its affiliates referred to as a related corporation;

• sell or exchange substantially all of its assets or business to or with a related corporation; or

• issue or deliver any stock or securities in exchange or payment for any assets or property of or securities issued by a related corporation; unless, under certain circumstances, such actions are approved by our board of directors.

Furthermore, the affirmative vote of the holders of 80 percent of the voting power of outstanding shares must approve changes to provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation relating to:

- the amendment of our bylaws by the stockholders;
- the classification of our board of directors;
- the prohibition of stockholder action without a meeting; and

• the requirement that 80 percent of the voting power of the outstanding shares must approve certain transactions or changes.

#### Dividend Rights; Rights Upon Liquidation

Subject to any preferential rights of holders of any of our preferred stock that may be outstanding, holders of shares of our common stock are entitled to receive dividends on such stock out of assets legally available for distribution when, as and if authorized and declared by our board of directors and to share ratably in the assets of Fluor legally available for distribution to its stockholders in the event of its liquidation, dissolution or winding-up.

#### **Classification of Our Board of Directors**

Our board of directors is divided into three classes of directors serving staggered three-year terms. As a result, approximately one-third of our directors are elected each year. This limits the ability of majority stockholders or persons holding proxies to vote a majority of our shares to change control of our board of directors in fewer than two annual stockholder meetings. This limitation could have the effect of discouraging a potential acquiror from making a tender offer or otherwise attempting to obtain control of Fluor and could thus increase the likelihood that incumbent directors will retain their positions.

#### Miscellaneous

Holders of our common stock will have no preferences or preemptive, conversion or exchange rights. Shares of our common stock will not be liable for further calls or assessments by Fluor.

#### **Preferred Stock**

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation authorizes our board of directors to issue from time to time, without further vote or action by the stockholders, up to 20,000,000 shares of our preferred stock in one or more series and to fix the designations, powers, preferences and rights, and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions, with respect to the shares issued under each such series. Because our board of directors has the power to establish the designations, powers, preferences and rights of the shares of any such series of our preferred stock, holders of our preferred stock may be afforded voting rights and preferences, powers and other rights that could adversely affect the rights of holders of our common stock. This could have the effect of discouraging a potential acquiror from making a tender offer or otherwise attempt to obtain control of Fluor through the acquisition of our common stock.

#### **Anti-Takeover Provisions**

General

The provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, our bylaws and Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law may have the effect of impeding the acquisition of control of Fluor by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest, open market purchases or otherwise in a transaction not approved by our board of directors. These provisions are designed to reduce, or have the effect of reducing, the vulnerability of Fluor to an unsolicited proposal for the restructuring or sale of all or substantially all the assets of Fluor or an unsolicited takeover attempt which is unfair to Fluor stockholders.

#### Charter and Bylaw Provisions

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation authorizes our board of directors to issue from time to time, without further vote or action by the stockholders, up to 20,000,000 shares of our preferred stock in one or more series and to fix the designations, powers, preferences and rights, and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions, with respect to the shares issued under each such series. Pursuant to this authority, our board could create and issue a series of our preferred stock with such designations, powers, preferences and rights which have the effect of discriminating against an existing or prospective holder of our capital stock, thus making it more difficult for, or discouraging any attempt by, a potential acquiror to obtain control of Fluor by means of a merger, tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise. As a result, the authority to issue shares of preferred stock may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of Fluor without any further action by our stockholders.

Other provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws that may make it more difficult to replace our board of directors include:

• the 80 percent supermajority voting requirements to approve certain extraordinary corporate transactions or certain amendments to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation or bylaws, as described under Common Stock Voting Rights ;

• classification of our board of directors as described under Common Stock Classification of Our Board of Directors ;

- prohibition on stockholders calling a meeting or acting by written consent;
- requirements for advance notice for raising business or making nominations at stockholder meetings; and

• the ability of the our board of directors to amend the bylaws, increase the size of our board and to fill vacancies on our board.

### Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law

We are subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. The provisions of Section 203 prohibit a publicly-held Delaware corporation from engaging in certain business combinations with an interested stockholder for a period of three years after the date that the

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person became an interested stockholder, unless one of the following conditions is satisfied:

• prior to the date that the person became an interested stockholder, the transaction or business combination that resulted in the person becoming an interested stockholder is approved by the board of directors;

• upon consummation of the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owns at least 85 percent of our outstanding voting stock; or

• on or after the date that the person became an interested stockholder, the business combination is approved by our board of directors and by the holders of at least two-thirds of our outstanding voting stock, excluding voting stock owned by the interested stockholder.

Generally, a business combination includes a merger, asset or stock sale or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested stockholder. Subject to certain exceptions, an interested stockholder is a person who together with that person s affiliates and associates owns, or within the previous three years did own, 15 percent or more of our voting stock.

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### **Transfer Agent and Registrar**

BNY Mellon Shareowner Services is the transfer agent and registrar for our common stock.

### **DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS**

We may issue warrants to purchase any combination of debt securities, common stock, preferred stock or other securities. We may issue warrants independently or together with other securities. Warrants sold with other securities may be attached to or separate from the other securities. We will issue warrants under one or more warrant agreements between us and a warrant agent that we will name in the prospectus supplement.

The prospectus supplement relating to any warrants we may offer will include specific terms relating to the offering. We will file the form of any warrant agreement with the SEC, and you should read the warrant agreement for provisions that may be important to you. The prospectus supplement will include some or all of the following terms:

- the title of the warrants;
- the aggregate number of warrants offered;

• the designation, number and terms of the debt securities, common stock, preferred stock or other securities purchasable upon exercise of the warrants, and procedures by which those numbers may be adjusted;

- the exercise price of the warrants;
- the dates or periods during which the warrants are exercisable;
- the designation and terms of any securities with which the warrants are issued;

• if the warrants are issued as a unit with another security, the date, if any, on and after which the warrants and the other security will be separately transferable;

• if the exercise price is not payable in U.S. dollars, the foreign currency, currency unit or composite currency in which the exercise price is denominated;

- any minimum or maximum amount of warrants that may be exercised at any one time; and
- any terms, procedures and limitations relating to the transferability, exchange or exercise of the warrants.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the offered securities in and outside the United States (1) through underwriters or dealers, (2) directly to purchasers, including our affiliates, (3) through agents or (4) through a combination of any of these methods. The prospectus supplement will include the following information:

- the terms of the offering;
- the names of any underwriters or agents;
- the name or names of any managing underwriter or underwriters;
- the purchase price of the securities from us;

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- the net proceeds to us from the sale of the securities;
- any delayed delivery arrangements;
- any underwriting discounts, commissions and other items constituting underwriters compensation;
- any initial public offering price;
- any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers; and
- any commissions paid to agents.

#### Sale through Underwriters or Dealers

If we use underwriters in the sale, the underwriters will acquire the securities for their own account. The underwriters may resell the securities from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. Underwriters may offer securities to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by one or more managing underwriters or directly by one or more firms acting as underwriters. Unless we inform you otherwise in the prospectus supplement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the securities will be subject to certain conditions, and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the offered securities if they purchase any of them. The underwriters may change from time to time any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers.

During and after an offering through underwriters, the underwriters may purchase and sell the securities in the open market. These transactions may include overallotment and stabilizing transactions and purchases to cover syndicate short positions created in connection with the offering. The underwriters may also impose a penalty bid, which means that selling concessions allowed to syndicate members or other broker-dealers for the offered securities sold for their account may be reclaimed by the syndicate if the offered securities are repurchased by the syndicate in stabilizing or covering transactions. These activities may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the offered securities, which may be higher than the price that might otherwise prevail in the open market. If commenced, the underwriters may discontinue these activities at any time.

If we use dealers in the sale of securities, we will sell the securities to them as principals. They may then resell those securities to the public at varying prices determined by the dealers at the time of resale. The dealers participating in any sale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act with respect to any sale of those securities. We will include in the prospectus supplement

the names of the dealers and the terms of the transaction.

#### **Direct Sales and Sales Through Agents**

We may sell the securities directly. In that event, no underwriters or agents would be involved. We may also sell the securities through agents we designate from time to time. In the prospectus supplement, we will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of the offered securities, and we will describe any commissions payable by us to the agent. Unless we inform you otherwise in the prospectus supplement, any agent will agree to use its reasonable best efforts to solicit purchases for the period of its appointment.

We may sell the securities directly to institutional investors or others who may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act with respect to any sale of those securities. We will describe the terms of any such sales in the prospectus supplement.

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#### **Delayed Delivery Contracts**

If we so indicate in the prospectus supplement, we may authorize agents, underwriters or dealers to solicit offers from certain types of institutions to purchase securities from us at the public offering price under delayed delivery contracts. These contracts would provide for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The contracts would be subject only to those conditions described in the prospectus supplement. The prospectus supplement will describe the commission payable for solicitation of those contracts.

#### Remarketing

We may offer and sell any of the offered securities in connection with a remarketing upon their purchase, in accordance with a redemption or repayment by their terms or otherwise by one or more remarketing firms acting as principals for their own accounts or as our agents. We will identify any remarketing firm, the terms of any remarketing agreement and the compensation to be paid to the remarketing firm in the prospectus supplement. Remarketing firms may be deemed underwriters under the Securities Act.

#### **Derivative Transactions**

We may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable prospectus supplement indicates, in connection with those derivatives, the third parties may sell securities covered by this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third parties may use securities pledged by us or borrowed from us or others to settle those sales or to close out any related open borrowings of stock, and may use securities received from us in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of stock. The third parties in these sale transactions will be underwriters and, if not identified in this prospectus, will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplement or in a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

#### **General Information**

We may have agreements with the remarketing firms, agents, dealers and underwriters to indemnify them against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute with respect to payments that the agents, dealers or underwriters may be required to make. Such firms, agents, dealers and underwriters may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us in the ordinary course of their businesses.

Each series of offered securities, other than the common stock, which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, will have no established trading market. We may elect to list any series of offered securities on an exchange, but we are not obligated to do so. It is possible that one or more underwriters may make a market in a series of offered securities. However, they will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue market making at any time without notice. We cannot assure you that a liquid trading market for any of our offered securities will develop.

### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities described in this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Baker Botts L.L.P., Dallas, Texas. Any underwriters will be advised about legal matters relating to any offering by their own legal counsel, which will be named in the related prospectus supplement.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Fluor Corporation included in Fluor Corporation s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their report thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

### PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

### ITEM 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table sets forth expenses payable by us in connection with the offering of the securities being registered, other than discounts and commissions.

Securities and Exchange Commission registration fee	(1)
Printing fees	(2)
Legal fees and expenses	(2)
Accounting fees and expenses	(2)
Transfer Agent s fees	(2)
Trustee s fees and expenses	(2)
Rating agency fees	(2)
Miscellaneous	(2)
Total	(2)

(1) In accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r), we are deferring payment of all of the registration fee.

(2) Estimated expenses are not presently known. The foregoing sets forth the general categories of expenses (other than underwriting discounts and commissions) that we anticipate to incur in connection with the offering of securities under this Registration Statement. An estimate of the aggregate expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being offered will be included in the applicable prospectus supplement.

### ITEM 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Article Fifteenth of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that our directors shall not be liable to Fluor or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Law as the same exists or may hereafter be amended. Any repeal or modification of Article Fifteenth shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Company existing thereunder with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to such repeal or modification. If the Delaware General Corporation Law is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of our directors shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extend permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, as so amended.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership or other enterprise, against all expenses (including attorneys fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by them in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful. Section 145 further provides that a corporation similarly may indemnify any such person serving in any such capacity who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor, against expenses (including attorneys fees) actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of the action or suit if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, against expenses (including attorneys fees) actually and reasonably incurred in connection to procure a judgment in its favor, against expenses (including attorneys fees) actually and reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, except that no indemnification may be made against expenses in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation, unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought

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upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which such court shall deem proper.

We may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any director, officer, employee or agent of Fluor or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not we would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

### ITEM 16. Exhibits

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\*\* To be filed in accordance with the requirements of Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

#### Item 17. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

*provided, however*, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:

(i) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

(ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such

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securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof; provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;

(ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant s annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan s annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public

policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(d) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the SEC under Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act.

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Company certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Dallas, State of Texas, on December 15, 2008.

#### FLUOR CORPORATION

By:

/s/ Carlos M. Hernandez Carlos M. Hernandez, Esq. Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Carlos M. Hernandez and Eric P. Helm and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for such person and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any or all further amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, 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 attorney-in-fact and agent, or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. This Power of Attorney may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which, taken together, shall constitute one Power of Attorney.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated and on December 15, 2008.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ Alan L. Boeckmann Alan L. Boeckmann	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	December 15, 2008
/s/ D. Michael Steuert D. Michael Steuert	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	December 15, 2008
/s/ Gary G. Smalley Gary G. Smalley	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	December 15, 2008

/s/ Ilesanmi Adesida Ilesanmi Adesida Director

December 15, 2008

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/s/ Peter K. Barker Peter K. Barker	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Peter J. Fluor Peter J. Fluor	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ James T. Hackett James T. Hackett	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Kent Kresa Kent Kresa	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Vilma S. Martinez Vilma S. Martinez	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Dean R. O Hare Dean R. O Hare	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Joseph W. Prueher Joseph W. Prueher	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Peter S. Watson Peter S. Watson	Director	December 15, 2008
/s/ Suzanne H. Woolsey Suzanne H. Woolsey	Director	December 15, 2008

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