MANITOWOC CO INC Form 8-K January 02, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 31, 2008

The Manitowoc Company, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-11978 (Commission File Number) 39-0448110 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2400 S. 44th Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54221-0066

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

(920) 684-4410

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instructions A.2. below):
o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On January 2, 2009, The Manitowoc Company, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing the completion, effective as of the end of the day on December 31, 2008, of the previously announced sale of its Marine segment to Fincantieri Marine Group Holdings, Inc., a subsidiary of Fincantieri - Cantieri Navali Italiani SpA (Fincantieri).		
The Company is furnishing its press release as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.		
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits		
(a)	Not applicable.	
(b)	Not applicable.	
(c)	Not applicable.	
(d)	Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed herewith:	
99.1	Press release dated January 2, 2009	

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

THE MANITOWOC COMPANY, INC. (Registrant)

DATE: January 2, 2009 /s/ Carl J. Laurino

Carl J. Laurino

Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

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