

HARDINGE INC  
Form 8-K  
December 15, 2009

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 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 10, 2009**

**Hardinge Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**New York**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**000-15760**  
Commission file number

**16-0470200**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**One Hardinge Drive, Elmira, NY 14902**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(607) 734-2281**  
(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On December 10, 2009 Hardinge Inc. issued a press release announcing a new strategic alliance with three premier distributors: Gosiger, Inc., Hartwig, Inc., and Morris Group, Inc. These three groups will have exclusive sales and support responsibilities for Hardinge products in virtually all of the United States. Over a transition period of the next few months these organizations will replace current Hardinge distributors and direct sales and service support groups.

A copy of the press release is included as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

The following Exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
99	Press release issued by registrant on December 10, 2009.

**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.

**HARDINGE INC.**  
Registrant

Date: December 15, 2009

By:

/s/ EDWARD J. GAIO  
Edward J. Gaio  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)