

TORCHMARK CORP  
Form 8-K  
September 19, 2008

# **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) September 18, 2008**

## **TORCHMARK CORPORATION**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**DELAWARE**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
  
**of incorporation)**

**001-08052**  
**(Commission File No.)**

**63-0780404**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**

**ID No.)**

**3700 South Stonebridge Drive, McKinney, Texas 75070**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 569-4000**

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None

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

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- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 September 18, 2008, Torchmark Corporation issued a press release disclosing its credit exposure to Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Lehman Brothers, AIG and Washington Mutual. This information is included as Exhibit 99.1 to the Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statement and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of businesses acquired.  
Not applicable.

(b) Pro forma financial information.  
Not applicable.

(c) Shell company transactions.  
Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits.

(99.1) Torchmark Corporation Press Release dated September 18, 2008.

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**SIGNATURES**

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

TORCHMARK CORPORATION

Date: September 18, 2008

/s/ Carol A. McCoy  
Carol A. McCoy,  
Vice President, Associate Counsel and Secretary