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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

CIK # 878518

as at November 13, 2008

# TASEKO MINES LIMITED

800 West Pender Street, Suite 1020 Vancouver , British Columbia Canada V6C 2V6

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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.

By: /s/ Russell E. Hallbauer Director and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 14, 2008

Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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#### **OPERATIONAL UPDATE**

**November 13, 2008, Vancouver, BC** - Taseko Mines Limited (TSX: TKO; AMEX: TGB) ("Taseko" or the "Company") announced today that approximately 75 employees will be laid off at its 100% owned Gibraltar Mine McLeese Lake operations.

Russell Hallbauer, President and CEO of Taseko stated, "In the past 24 months we have invested \$250 million into the Gibraltar Mine to reduce operating costs and ensure it could operate at very low copper price levels.

Our manpower levels during the construction period increased as we worked on the concentrator modernization and mine expansion programs. With the concentrator and mining fleet now upgraded and more efficient than in the past, the size of the work force is inconsistent with our new operating efficiencies.

We continue to monitor and adjust our manpower requirements and aggressively manage our overall cost structure to ensure Gibraltar remains profitable during metal market price fluctuations.

This manpower adjustment will not affect Gibraltar's annual copper production.

We would like to thank our employees, the Provincial Government and the Ministry of Energy Mines & Petroleum

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Resources for working with us in helping Taseko get Gibraltar into a position to weather declining metal markets. As well, the support of the Mayor of Williams Lake, Scott Nelson, has been invaluable in successfully communicating the importance of an operating mine to central British Columbia and, in particular to the City of Williams Lake.

As a Company we have taken a very conservative approach to our expansion plans by not incurring any long term debt. Our aim is to keep Gibraltar profitable and a viable operation should copper cycle back to lower than US\$1.50/lb. We look forward to working with the Government and all the communities of the Cariboo-Chilcotin in the coming months as we enhance the competitive position of our Gibraltar Mine and move forward with the Environmental Assessment Review of Prosperity and receive an Environmental Assessment Certificate and ultimately build another long life mine in the central interior to complement Gibraltar."

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#### Forward Looking Statements

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