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LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC Form 8-K August 12, 2008

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): August 11, 2008 LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Florida 1-15799 65-0701248

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

4400 Biscayne Boulevard, 12th Floor, Miami, Florida 33137

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (212) 409-2000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 Instruction A.2. below):

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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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 11, 2008, Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc. announced its financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2008. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K.

The information in this current report on Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto are being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall they be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press release dated August 11, 2008

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 11, 2008

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

By: /s/ Brett H. Kaufman Name: Brett H. Kaufman

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

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