

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO
Form 8-K
October 27, 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): October 27, 2008

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

1-15579
(Commission File Number)

25-0668780
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

121 Gamma Drive

15238

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RIDC Industrial Park

O Hara Township

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 412-967-3000

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:

- .. 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))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 27, 2008, the Company issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2008. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01. Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Description |
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| 99.1 | Mine Safety Appliances Company Press Release dated October 27, 2008, announcing financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2008. |

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.

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY
(Registrant)

By /s/ Dennis L. Zeitler
Dennis L. Zeitler
Senior Vice President - Finance

Date: October 27, 2008

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