

PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES INC  
Form 8-K  
December 19, 2008

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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):

December 16, 2008

Portfolio Recovery Associates, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

000-50058

75-3078675

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

120 Corporate Boulevard, Norfolk, Virginia

23502

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

888-772-7326

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:

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**Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.**

On December 16, 2008, Portfolio Recovery Associates, Inc. (the "Company"), entered into an interest rate forward swap transaction (the "Swap") with J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, National Association pursuant to an ISDA Master Agreement which contains customary representations, warranties and covenants. The Company entered into the Swap to mitigate the interest rate risk on its Fourth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, as described in the Company's September 8, 2008 Form 8-K.

The Swap has an effective date of January 1, 2010, with an initial notional amount of \$50,000,000. Under the Swap, the Company will receive a floating interest rate based on 1-month LIBOR and will pay a fixed interest rate of 1.89% through maturity of the Swap on May 1, 2011. Notwithstanding the terms of the Swap, the Company is ultimately obligated for all amounts due and payable under the credit facility.

The Company may enter into additional swap transactions in the future from time to time.

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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.

*December 19, 2008*

Portfolio Recovery Associates, Inc.

By: */s/ Kevin P. Stevenson*

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*Name: Kevin P. Stevenson*

*Title: EVP/CFO*