

RITCHIE BROS AUCTIONEERS INC  
Form 6-K  
February 26, 2009

**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 UNDER  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the quarter ended December 31, 2008**

**Commission File Number: 001-13425**  
**Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers Incorporated**  
6500 River Road  
Richmond, BC, Canada  
V6X 4G5  
(604) 273 7564  
*(Address of principal executive offices)*

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the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to  
Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Yes

No

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release dated February 26, 2009 reporting the Company's results as at and for the year ended December 31, 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.

**Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers Incorporated**  
(Registrant)

Date: February 26, 2009

By: */s/ Jeremy Black*  
Jeremy Black  
Corporate Secretary