LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS, INC.

Form 8-K

February 02, 2009

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): February 2, 2009 (February 2, 2009)

LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-51251 20-1538254

(IRS Employer

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission

Identification

of Incorporation) File Number) No.)

103 Powell Court, Suite 200

Brentwood, Tennesse 37027

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(615) 372-8500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On February 2, 2009, LifePoint Hospitals, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing completion of the acquisition by a company subsidiary of Rockdale Medical Center (RMC) and related assets in Conyers, Georgia, for a purchase price of \$80 million. Rockdale Medical Center is a 138-bed hospital with net revenues of approximately \$120 million. See the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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tem 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.	
(a)	Financial statements of businesses acquired.
	None required
(b)	Pro forma financial information.
	None required
(c)	Shell company transactions.
	None required
(d)	Exhibits.
	99.1 Copy of press release issued by the Company on February 2, 2009.

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: January 2, 2009 LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS,

INC.

By: /s/ David M. Dill

David M. Dill

Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

Opy of press release issued by the Company on February 2, 2009.