

ELDORADO GOLD CORP /FI
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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 40-F

**REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION
12 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
OR
 **ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13(a) OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008

Commission file number: 001-31522

ELDORADO GOLD CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Canada
(Province or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

1040
(Primary Standard
Industrial
Classification Code)

N/A
(I.R.S. Employer Identification
No.)

Suite 1188 550 Burrard Street

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(604) 687-4018

(Address and Telephone Number of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

CT Corporation System

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(212) 894-8940

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Denver, Colorado 80202

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of Each Class:</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange On Which Registered:</u>
Common Shares, no par value	NYSE Amex

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **N/A**

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: **N/A**

For annual reports, indicate by check mark the information filed with this form:

Annual Information Form Audited Annual Financial Statements

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report: As at December 31, 2008, 368,278,029 common shares of the Registrant were issued and outstanding.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Eldorado Gold Corporation (the Company or the Registrant) is a Canadian issuer eligible to file its annual report pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), on Form 40-F pursuant to the multi-jurisdictional disclosure system of the Exchange Act. The Company is a foreign private issuer as defined in Rule 3b-4 under the Exchange Act. The equity securities of the Company are accordingly exempt from Sections 14(a), 14(b), 14(c), 14(f) and 16 of the Exchange Act pursuant to Rule 3a12-3.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This annual report on Form 40-F and the exhibits attached hereto contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward looking statements concern the Company s anticipated results and developments in the Company s operations in future periods, planned exploration and development of its properties, plans related to its business and other matters that may occur in the future. These statements relate to analyses and other information that are based on forecasts of future results, estimates of amounts not yet determinable and assumptions of management.

Statements concerning reserves and mineral resource estimates may also be deemed to constitute forward-looking statements to the extent that they involve estimates of the mineralization that will be encountered if the property is developed, and in the case of mineral reserves, such statements reflect the conclusion based on certain assumptions that the mineral deposit can be economically exploited. Any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance (often, but not always, using words or phrases such as expects or does not expect , is expected , anticipate or does not anticipate , plans , estimates or intends , or stating that certain actions, events or results may , could , might or will be taken, occur or be achieved) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to a variety of known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which could cause actual events or results to differ from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including, without limitation:

risks and uncertainties relating to the interpretation of drill results, the geology, grade and continuity of mineral deposits;

results of initial feasibility, pre-feasibility and feasibility studies, and the possibility that future exploration, development or mining results will not be consistent with the Company s expectations;

mining and development risks, including risks related to accidents, equipment breakdowns, labor disputes or other unanticipated difficulties with or interruptions in production;

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the potential for delays in exploration or development activities or the completion of feasibility studies;

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risks related to the inherent uncertainty of production and cost estimates and the potential for unexpected costs and expenses;

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risks related to commodity price fluctuations;

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the uncertainty of profitability based upon the Company's history of losses;

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risks related to failure to obtain adequate financing on a timely basis and on acceptable terms for the Company's planned exploration and development projects;

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risks related to environmental regulation and liability;

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risks that the amounts reserved or allocated for environmental compliance, reclamation, post-closure control measures, monitoring and on-going maintenance may not be sufficient to cover such costs;

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changes in the market price of gold which, in the past, has fluctuated widely and which could affect the profitability of our operations and financial condition;

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risks related to our primary properties being located in Turkey, China and Brazil, including political, economic and regulatory instability;

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risks related to our joint venture partners;

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risks related to our land reclamation requirements for our properties which may be burdensome;

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uncertainty regarding future requirements that we fund additional reclamation work during the course of our mining activities at the Kisladag Mine and Tanjianshan Mine;

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risks related to tax assessments;

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risks related to differences between U.S. and Canadian practices for reporting resources and reserves;

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risks related to currency fluctuations;

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risks related to governmental regulations;

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uncertainty in our ability to obtain and maintain certain permits necessary to our current and anticipated operations;

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uncertainty relating to our ability to attract and maintain qualified management to meet the needs of our anticipated growth and risks relating to our ability to manage our growth effectively;

risks related to our mineral properties being subject to prior unregistered agreements, transfers, claims or other defects in title;

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risks related to our history of losses, which we may continue to incur in the future;

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risks related to increased competition that could adversely affect our ability to attract necessary capital funding or acquire suitable producing properties for mineral exploration in the future;

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risks related to our officers and directors becoming associated with other natural resource companies which may give rise to conflicts of interests;

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political and regulatory risks associated with mining development and exploration; and

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other risks and uncertainties related to the Company's prospects, properties and business strategy.

This list is not exhaustive of the factors that may affect our forward-looking statements. Some of the important risks and uncertainties that could affect forward-looking statements are described further in the exhibits attached to this annual report on Form 40-F. Should one or more of these risks and uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are made based on management's beliefs, estimates and opinions on the date the statements are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements if these beliefs, estimates and opinions or other circumstances should change, except as required by law. Investors are cautioned against attributing undue certainty to forward-looking statements.

NOTE TO UNITED STATES READERS -

DIFFERENCES IN UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN REPORTING PRACTICES

The Company is permitted, under multi-jurisdictional disclosure system, adopted by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), to prepare this annual report in accordance with Canadian disclosure requirements, which differ from those of the United States. The Company prepares its financial statements, which are filed as Exhibit 2 to this annual report on Form 40-F, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), and they are subject to Canadian auditing and auditor independence standards. They are not comparable to financial statements of United States companies. Significant measurement differences between Canadian GAAP and United States GAAP are described in Note 24 of the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company.

RESOURCE AND RESERVE ESTIMATES

The Company's Annual Information Form (AIF) filed as Exhibit 1 to this annual report on Form 40-F has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the securities laws in effect in Canada, which differ from the requirements of United States securities laws. The terms mineral reserve , proven mineral reserve and probable mineral reserve are Canadian mining terms as defined in accordance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (NI 43-101) and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (the CIM) - *CIM Definition Standards on Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves*, adopted by the CIM Council, as amended. These definitions differ from the definitions in SEC Industry Guide 7 under the United States Securities Act of 1993, as amended (the Securities Act). Under SEC Industry Guide 7 standards, a final or bankable feasibility study is required to report reserves, the three-year historical average price is used in any reserve or cash flow analysis to designate reserves and the primary environmental analysis or report must be filed with the appropriate governmental authority.

In addition, the terms mineral resource , measured mineral resource , indicated mineral resource and inferred mineral resource are defined in and required to be disclosed by NI 43-101; however, these terms are not defined terms under SEC Industry Guide 7 and are normally not permitted to be used in reports and registration statements filed with the SEC. Investors are cautioned not to assume that any part or all of mineral deposits in these categories will ever be converted into reserves. Inferred mineral resources have a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence, and great uncertainty as to their economic and legal feasibility. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource will ever be upgraded to a higher category. Under Canadian rules, estimates of inferred mineral resources may not form the basis of feasibility or pre-feasibility studies, except in rare cases. Investors are cautioned not to assume that all or any part of an inferred mineral resource exists or is economically or legally mineable. Disclosure of contained ounces in a resource is permitted disclosure under Canadian regulations; however, the SEC normally only permits issuers to report mineralization that does not constitute reserves by SEC Industry Guide 7 standards as in place tonnage and grade without reference to unit measures.

Accordingly, information contained in this annual report and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain descriptions of our mineral deposits that may not be comparable to similar information made public by U.S. companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements under the United States federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder.

CURRENCY

Unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts in this annual report on Form 40-F are in United States dollars. The exchange rate of Canadian dollars into United States dollars, on December 31, 2008, based upon the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers payable in Canadian dollars as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was U.S.\$1.00 = Cdn.\$1.2240.

ANNUAL INFORMATION FORM

The Company's AIF for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 is filed as Exhibit 1 and incorporated by reference in this annual report on Form 40-F.

AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, including the report of the independent auditor with respect thereto, are filed as Exhibit 2 and incorporated by reference in this annual report on Form 40-F. For a reconciliation of material

measurement differences between Canadian and United States GAAP, see Note 24 to the Company's audited consolidated financial statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Company's management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) is filed as Exhibit 3 and incorporated by reference in this annual report on Form 40-F.

TAX MATTERS

Purchasing, holding, or disposing of securities of the Company may have tax consequences under the laws of the United States and Canada that are not described in this annual report on Form 40-F.

CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

At the end of the period covered by this annual report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, an evaluation was carried out under the supervision of, and with the participation of, the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act). Based upon that evaluation, the Company's CEO and CFO have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures were effective to give reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and (ii) accumulated and communicated to management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act. The Company's management has employed a framework consistent with Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(c), to evaluate the Company's internal control over financial reporting described below. A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and

expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements. It should be noted that a control system, no matter how well conceived or operated, can only provide reasonable assurance, not absolute assurance, that the objectives of the control system are met. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with policies and procedures may deteriorate.

Management, including the CEO and CFO, assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth in the Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on its assessment, management has concluded that, as of December 31, 2008, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective and no material weaknesses in the Company's internal control over financial reporting were discovered.

On July 7, 2008, the Company completed its acquisition of Frontier Pacific Mining Corporation (Frontier). Management considers the acquisition of Frontier non-material to the Company's results of operations, financial position and cash flows from the date of acquisition through December 31, 2008, and believed that the internal controls and procedures at Frontier have a non-material effect on the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The Company is in the process of integrating Frontier's operations and will be expanding its internal control over financial reporting compliance program to include Frontier over the next year. Management excluded Frontier from its annual assessment of internal control over financial reporting for the year ended December 31, 2008 as permitted by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and applicable rules relating to business acquisitions. Frontier's operations represent \$220 million of total assets and \$nil of consolidated revenues as at and for the year ended December 31, 2008.

The Company is required to provide an auditor's attestation report on its internal control over financial reporting for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. In this annual report, the Company's independent registered auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, must state its opinion as to the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has audited the Company's financial statements included in this annual report on Form 40-F and has issued an attestation report on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Auditor's Attestation Report

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP's attestation report on the Company's internal control over financial reporting is included in the audit report filed with [Exhibit 2](#) and is incorporated by reference in this annual report on Form 40-F.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management, including the CEO and CFO, has evaluated the Company's internal control over financial reporting to determine whether any changes occurred during the period covered by this annual report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. During the December 31, 2007 year-end audit, the Company's external auditor identified a material weakness in internal control over financial reporting relating to the application of the Company's accounting policy for calculating depreciation on its Tanjianshan (TJS) gold mine in China. Accordingly, in the first quarter of 2008, management effected a change in its internal control over financial reporting by introducing a plan to remediate the material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Remediation of Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In order to remediate the material weakness described above, the Company implemented a clearly defined accounting policy and procedure, which adequately addresses the amortization of development costs related to its multiple pit mining operations. Specifically, the Company modified its Mining Interest accounting policy to clearly indicate that:

Mineral properties, buildings, plant and equipment, and other assets whose estimated useful life is the same as the remaining life of the mine are depreciated, depleted and amortized over the mine's estimated life using the units of production method calculated on the basis of proven and probable reserves.

Capitalized development costs are allocated to each pit and are amortized over the pit's estimated life using the units of production method calculated on the basis of proven and probable reserves for that pit.

Furniture and fixtures, vehicles, computers and other assets whose estimated useful lives are less than the remaining life of the mine are depreciated on a straight line basis over the estimate useful life of the assets.

This policy as described above was communicated to all the Company's operations and has been in effect since the first quarter of 2008. The Company's only multiple pit mining operation continues to be its TJS mine in China. The Company has corrected the calculation of depreciation at this site and does not expect this accounting error to occur again.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company's Board of Directors (the Board of Directors) is responsible for the Company's corporate governance and has a separately designated standing Compensation Committee and Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee. The Board of Directors has determined that all the members of the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee and Nominating Committee are independent, based on the criteria for independence and unrelatedness prescribed by Section 803 of the NYSE Amex Company Guide.

Compensation Committee

Compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and all other officers is recommended to the Board of Directors for determination by the Compensation Committee. The Company's Compensation Committee is comprised of John S. Auston, Robert R. Gilmore, Geoffrey A. Handley and Wayne D. Lenton. The Compensation Committee develops, reviews and monitors director and executive compensation and policies. The Compensation Committee is also responsible for annually reviewing the adequacy of compensation for directors and others and the composition of compensation packages. The Company's CEO cannot be present during the Compensation Committee's deliberations or vote. The Company's Compensation Committee's Charter is available on the Company's website at www.eldoradogold.com.

Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee

Nominees for the election to the Board of Directors are recommended by the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee is comprised of John S. Auston, K. Ross Cory, Geoffrey A. Handley and Hugh C. Morris. The Nominating Committee's responsibilities include considering annually the size and composition of the Board of Directors and the qualifications of incumbent directors and recommending to the Board such changes as it sees fit; identifying and recommending, annually, qualified persons to be nominated for election or re-election to the Board of

Directors; reviewing changes in applicable laws, emerging practices or other initiatives relating to directors or the Board of Directors; providing orientation programs for new directors and continuing development programs for existing directors; and reviewing annually the functioning of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee. The Company's Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee Charter is available on the Company's website at www.eldoradogold.com.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company's Board of Directors has a separately designated standing Audit Committee established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Exchange Act. The Company's Audit Committee comprises of K. Ross Cory, Robert R. Gilmore, Hugh C. Morris and Donald Shumka, all of whom, in the opinion of the Company's Board of Directors, are independent (as determined under Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act and Section 803 of the NYSE Amex Company Guide) and are financially literate. The Audit Committee meets the composition requirements set forth by Section 803 of NYSE Amex Company Guide.

The members of the Audit Committee do not have fixed terms and are appointed and replaced from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors.

The Audit Committee meets with the President and CEO and the CFO of the Company and the Company's independent auditors to review and inquire into matters affecting financial reporting, the system of internal accounting and financial controls, as well as audit procedures and audit plans. The Audit Committee also recommends to the Board of Directors which independent registered public auditing firm should be appointed by the Company. In addition, the Audit Committee reviews and recommends to the Board of Directors for approval the annual financial statements, the MD&A, and undertakes other activities required by exchanges on which the Company's securities are listed and by regulatory authorities to which the Company is held responsible.

The full text of the Audit Committee Charter is attached to as Schedule A to the Company's AIF, which is filed as Exhibit 1 and incorporated by reference in this annual report on Form 40-F.

Audit Committee Financial Expert

The Company's Board of Directors has determined that Robert R. Gilmore qualifies as a financial expert (as defined in Item 407 of Regulation S-K under the Exchange Act) and is independent (as determined under Exchange Act Rule 10A-3 and Section 803 of the NYSE Amex Company Guide).

PRE-APPROVAL OF AUDIT AND NON-AUDIT SERVICES PROVIDED BY INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The Audit Committee pre-approves all audit services to be provided to the Company by its independent auditor. Non-audit services that are prohibited to be provided to the Company by its independent auditors may not be pre-approved. In addition, prior to the granting of any pre-approval, the Audit Committee must be satisfied that the performance of the services in question will not compromise the independence of the independent auditor. Since the enactment of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, all non-audit services performed by the Company's auditor have been pre-approved by the Audit Committee of the Company. In 2005, the Company's Audit Committee determined that non-audit services would no longer be performed by the Company's independent registered public auditing firm and management has established agreements with other service providers for such non-audit services. No non-audit services were approved pursuant to the *de minimis* exemption to the pre-approval requirement.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The following table shows the aggregate fees billed to the Company by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Accountants, the Company's external auditor, in each of the last two years. The figures below are presented in Canadian dollars.

	2008	2007
<i>Audit Fees (1):</i>	Cdn.\$993,416	Cdn.\$1,256,017
<i>Audit-Related Fees (2):</i>	NIL	NIL
<i>Tax Fees (3):</i>	NIL	Cdn.\$19,992
<i>All Other Fees (4):</i>	Cdn.\$131,132	Cdn.\$10,896
<i>Other Services (5)</i>	Cdn.\$30,000	NIL
<i>Total:</i>	Cdn\$1,154,548	Cdn\$1,286,905

(1) Audit fees were paid for professional services rendered by the auditors for the audit of the Company's annual consolidated financial statements, review of quarterly consolidated financial statements and services provided for statutory and regulatory filings or engagements. Audit fees for 2007 include Cdn.\$635,916 of Audit Related Fees incurred in connection with the audit of the Company's internal controls in accordance with Sarbanes Oxley 404.

(2) Audit-related fees were paid for assurance and related services by the auditors that were reasonably related to the performance of the audit or the review of the Company's financial statements that are not included in Audit Fees.

(3) Tax compliance, taxation advice and tax planning for international operations.

(4) The aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for products and services provided by the independent registered accountant, other than the services reported above.

(5) Other services refers to IFRS Diagnostics

OFF-BALANCE SHEET TRANSACTIONS

The Company does not have any off-balance sheet financing arrangements or relationships with unconsolidated special purpose entities.

CODE OF ETHICS

The Company has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the Code) for all its directors, executive officers and employees, which is posted on the Company's website, www.eldoradogold.com. The Code is also available to any

person, without charge, by written request to the Company at its principal executive office, located at Suite 1188 550, Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 2B5.

All amendments to the Code, and all waivers of the Code with respect to any of the officers covered by it, will be posted on the Company's website, www.eldoradogold.com, submitted on Form 6-K and provided in print to any shareholder who requests them. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, the Company did not substantively amend, waive or implicitly waive any provision of the Code with respect to any of the directors, executive officers or employees subject to it.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The information provided in the MD&A, attached as Exhibit 3 to this annual report on Form 40-F, contains the Company's disclosure of contractual obligations and is incorporated by reference herein.

The following table summarizes the remaining contractual maturities of the Company's financial liabilities and operating and capital commitments at December 31, 2008:

	(000s)					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 and later	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Debt	150	-	-	-	-	150
Capital leases	65	65	36	23	-	189
Operating leases	2,336	2,016	1,877	1,860	2,140	10,229
Purchase obligations	33,805	11,557	11,498	11,476	-	68,336
Totals	36,356	13,638	13,411	13,359	2,140	78,904

Purchase obligations from 2010 forward relate solely to Kışladağ operations, including the estimated commitments under the unhedged diesel fuel purchase commitments for 2010 through 2012. Imputed interest relating to the Sino Gold loan is included in the debt commitment.

NOTICES PURSUANT TO REGULATION BTR

There were no notices required by Rule 104 of Regulation BTR that the Company sent during the year ended December 31, 2008 concerning any equity security subject to a blackout period under Rule 101 of Regulation BTR.

NYSE AMEX CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company's common shares are listed on the NYSE Amex. Section 110 of the NYSE Amex Company Guide permits the NYSE Amex to consider the laws, customs and practices of foreign issuers in relaxing certain NYSE Amex listing criteria, and to grant exemptions from NYSE Amex listing criteria based on these considerations. A company seeking relief under these provisions is required to provide written certification from independent local counsel that the non-complying practice is not prohibited by home country law. A description of the significant ways in which the Company's governance practices differ from those followed by domestic companies pursuant to NYSE Amex standards is as follows:

Shareholder Meeting Quorum Requirement: The NYSE Amex minimum quorum requirement for a shareholder meeting is one-third of the outstanding shares of common stock. In addition, a company listed on the NYSE Amex is required to state its quorum requirement in its bylaws. The Company's quorum requirement is set forth in its Memorandum and Articles. A quorum for a meeting of members of the Company is two persons who are, or who represent by proxy, shareholders who, in the aggregate, hold at least 5% of the shares entitled to be voted at the meeting.

Proxy Delivery Requirement: The NYSE Amex requires the solicitation of proxies and delivery of proxy statements for all shareholder meetings, and requires that these proxies shall be solicited pursuant to a proxy statement that conforms to SEC proxy rules. The Company is a foreign private issuer as defined in Rule 3b-4 under the Exchange Act, and the equity securities of the Company are accordingly exempt from the proxy rules set forth in Sections 14(a), 14(b), 14(c) and 14(f) of the Exchange Act. The Company solicits proxies in accordance with applicable rules and regulations in Canada.

The foregoing are consistent with the laws, customs and practices in Canada.

In addition, the Company may from time-to-time seek relief from NYSE Amex corporate governance

requirements on specific transactions under Section 110 of the NYSE Amex Company Guide by providing written certification from independent local counsel that the non-complying practice is not prohibited by our home country law, in which case, the Company shall make the disclosure of such transactions available on the Company's website at www.eldoradogold.com. Information contained on its website is not part of this annual report on Form 40-F.

UNDERTAKING

The Company undertakes to make available, in person or by telephone, representatives to respond to inquiries made by the SEC staff, and to furnish promptly, when requested to do so by the SEC staff, information relating to: the securities registered pursuant to Form 40-F; the securities in relation to which the obligation to file an annual report on Form 40-F arises; or transactions in said securities.

CONSENT TO SERVICE OF PROCESS

The Company filed an Appointment of Agent for Service of Process and Undertaking on Form F-X with the SEC on November 5, 2004, which is hereby incorporated by reference, with respect to the class of securities in relation to which the obligation to file this annual report on Form 40-F arises.

EXHIBITS

Annual Information

1. Annual Information Form of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2008
2. The following audited consolidated financial statements of the Company, are exhibits to and form a part of this Report:
 - Auditors' Reports on Consolidated Financial Statements and Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
 - Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2008 and 2007
 - Consolidated Statements of Operations and Deficit for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006
 - Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006
 - Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007
 - Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (which includes a reconciliation with United States GAAP)
3. Management Discussion and Analysis

Certifications

4. Certificate of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act
5. Certificate of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act
6. Certificate of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
7. Certificate of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Consents

8. Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
9. Consent of Gary Giroux, Micon International Limited
11. Consent of John Edward Hearne, RSG Global Pty Ltd
12. Consents of Andy Nichols, Andre de Ruijter and Richard Alexander, Wardrop Engineering Inc.
- 13.* Consent of Roberto Costa, Roberto Costa Engenharia Ltd
14. Consent of Luke Evans, P.Eng. Scott Wilson Roscoe Postle Associates Inc.
15. Consent of Mr. Richard Miller, P.Eng. and Eldorado Gold Corporation
16. Consent of Mr. Norman Pitcher, P. Geo and COO, Eldorado Gold Corporation
17. Consent of Mr. Stephen Juras, P. Geo and Manager, Geology of Eldorado Gold Corporation

* Consent to be filed upon amendment

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act, the Registrant certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 40-F and has duly caused this Annual Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

ELDORADO GOLD CORPORATION

By: /s/ Paul N. Wright
Name: Paul N. Wright
Title: Chief Executive Officer
Date: March 31, 2009

CERTIFICATION

I, Paul N. Wright, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed this annual report on Form 40-F of Eldorado Gold Corporation;

2.

Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3.

Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the issuer as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4.

The issuer's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the issuer and have:

a)

Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the issuer, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b)

Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c)

Evaluated the effectiveness of the issuer's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d)

Disclosed in this report any change in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by the annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the issuer's internal control over financial reporting; and

5.

The issuer's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the issuer's auditor and the audit committee of the issuer's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a)

All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the issuer's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b)

Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 31, 2009

By: /s/ Paul N. Wright

Paul N. Wright
Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Earl W. Price, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed this annual report on Form 40-F of Eldorado Gold Corporation;

2.

Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3.

Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the issuer as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4.

The issuer's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the issuer and have:

a)

Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the issuer, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b)

Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c)

Evaluated the effectiveness of the issuer's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by

this report based on such evaluation; and

d)

Disclosed in this report any change in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by the annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the issuer's internal control over financial reporting; and

5.

The issuer's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the issuer's auditor and the audit committee of the issuer's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a)

All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the issuer's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b)

Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the issuer's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 31, 2009

By: /s/ Earl W. Price

Earl W. Price
Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO

18 U.S.C. §1350,

AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO

SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Eldorado Gold Corporation (the Company) on Form 40-F for the period ended December 31, 2008 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Paul N. Wright, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1)

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2)

The information contained in this Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

March 31, 2009

/s/ Paul N. Wright

Paul N. Wright

Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Eldorado Gold Corporation and will be retained by Eldorado Gold Corporation and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. §1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Eldorado Gold Corporation (the Company) on Form 40-F/A for the period ended December 31, 2008 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Earl W. Price, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1)

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2)

The information contained in this Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

March 31, 2009

/s/ Earl W. Price

Earl W. Price

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Eldorado Gold Corporation and will be retained by Eldorado Gold Corporation and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.