

INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/

Form 8-K

January 29, 2009

**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**

**January 29, 2009**

**(Date of Report)**

**January 29, 2009**

**(Date of earliest event reported)**

**INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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**NEW YORK**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-3157**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-0872805**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**6400 Poplar Avenue**

**Memphis, Tennessee 38197**

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

**(901) 419-7000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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 January 29, 2009, International Paper Company issued a press release reporting preliminary earnings for the fourth quarter and full-year 2008 and held a webcast and a conference call to discuss earnings and current market conditions. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and a copy of the slides presented at the webcast and discussed in the conference call is being furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release of International Paper Company, dated January 29, 2009.

Exhibit 99.2 Slides of International Paper Company, dated January 29, 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.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Maura Abeln Smith  
Name: Maura Abeln Smith  
Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary

Date: January 29, 2009

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