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TRI-CONTINENTAL CORP Form 8-K February 13, 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 12, 2009

TRI-CONTINENTAL CORPORATION (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 811-00266 13-5441850 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer incorporation) Identification No.)

> 200 Ameriprise Financial Center, Minneapolis, MN 55474 (Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 850-1864

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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 240.14a-12)
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- |_| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-4(c))

SECTION 7 - REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Registrant is furnishing as Exhibit 99.1 the attached Press Release as of February 12, 2009 for Tri-Continental Corporation.

SECTION 9 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 - Press Release dated February 12, 2009 for Tri-Continental Corporation.