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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): July 30, 2008

TENNECO INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporat incorporation or organization)

1-12387

76-0515284 Identification No.)

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code) 60045

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000

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On July 30, 2008 Tenneco Inc. announced that it has become a global diesel emission control system integration supplier to Caterpillar Inc., the world's leading manufacturer of construction and mining equipment. In this role, Tenneco will work with Caterpillar to develop and produce diesel engine aftertreatment systems for Caterpillar engines. These aftertreatment systems, along with Caterpillar's leading engine emissions reduction technology, will be used globally to meet stricter diesel emissions regulations that phase in beginning early in the next decade.

Earlier this year, Tenneco announced that it projects it will achieve an average compounded annual OE revenue growth rate of 11% to 13% between 2008 and 2012, primarily driven by tightening emission control regulations globally. The projection reflects the new business announced today and other new OE business recently awarded to Tenneco, some of which has not yet been announced.

A copy of the company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued July 30, 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 hereunto duly authorized.

TENNECO INC.

Date: August 1, 2008 By: /s/ David A. Wardell

David A. Wardell

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary