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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): September 1, 2008 TENNECO INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-12387 (Commission File Number) 76-0515284 (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation Identification No.)

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60045

(Zip Code)

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On September 1, 2008, Tenneco Inc. announced that the company has completed the acquisition of the suspension business of Gruppo Marzocchi, an Italian-based worldwide leader in supplying suspension technology and products in the two-wheeler market.

The acquisition was made through Tenneco s assumption of the debt associated with Marzocchi s suspension business, which was approximately \$15 million as of April 30, 2008.

The acquisition of the Gruppo Marzocchi suspension business includes a manufacturing facility in Bologna, Italy that will be leased by Tenneco; associated engineering and intellectual property; the Marzocchi brand name; sales, marketing and customer service operations in the United States and Canada; and purchasing and sales operations in Taiwan.

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 September 1, 2008

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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: September 2, 2008

By: /s/ David A.Wardell

David A. Wardell

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary