

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC  
Form 8-K  
August 06, 2008

**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): August 6, 2008

**PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-16707  
(Commission File  
Number)  
751 Broad Street

22-3703799  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

Newark, New Jersey 07102

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(973) 802-6000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 6, 2008, Prudential Financial, Inc. (the Company) reached a resolution of the previously disclosed investigations by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) into certain reinsurance contracts entered into with a single counterparty in the years 1997 through 2002 relating to the Company's property and casualty insurance operations that were sold in 2003. The SEC's complaint in this matter, filed on August 6, 2008 in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, alleges, among other things, that the Company improperly accounted for the reinsurance contracts, resulting in overstatements of the Company's consolidated results for the years 2000, 2001 and 2002 in certain of the Company's reports filed with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), in violation of the financial reporting, books-and-records and internal control provisions of the Exchange Act. In connection with the settlement, the Company has consented to entry of a final judgment enjoining it from future violations of specified provisions of the Exchange Act and related rules and regulations of the SEC thereunder.

The settlement, in which the Company neither admits nor denies the allegations in the complaint, resolves the SEC's investigations into these matters without the imposition of any monetary fine or penalty.

The settlement documents include allegations that may result in litigation, adverse publicity and other potentially adverse impacts to the Company's businesses.

**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.

Date: August 6, 2008

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC.

By: /s/ Brian J. Morris

Name: Brian J. Morris

Title: Vice President and Assistant Secretary