

DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP INC/DE  
Form 8-K  
April 24, 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): April 24, 2009**

**DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-11462

13-3427277

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

1105 North Market Street, Suite 1230, P.O. Box 8985, Wilmington, DE

19899

(Address of principal executive offices)

(ZIP Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 302-478-5142

Not Applicable

(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))
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SECTION 1 REGISTRANT'S BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 24, 2009, Delphi Financial Group, Inc. (the Company) entered into a Sales Agreement with Barclays Capital Inc. for an offering of shares of Class A Common Stock (the Stock) of the Company (the Sales Agreement). Under the Sales Agreement, the Company may offer and sell shares of the Stock having an aggregate gross sales price of up to \$30,000,000 from time to time through Barclays Capital Inc. as the Company's sales agent. Sales of the shares, if any, will be made by means of ordinary brokers' transactions on the New York Stock Exchange or otherwise, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, in block transactions or as otherwise agreed by the Company and Barclays Capital Inc.

This offering will be made pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form S-3 (File No. 333-156284), which became effective on December 18, 2008 (the Registration Statement).

The Sales Agreement is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and the above description of the Sales Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to such exhibit. The Sales Agreement is also filed with reference to, and is hereby incorporated by reference into, the Registration Statement.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibits
10.1	Sales Agreement dated April 24, 2009 between Delphi Financial Group, Inc. and Barclays Capital Inc.

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.

DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

/s/ ROBERT ROSENKRANZ  
Robert Rosenkranz  
Chairman of the Board and Chief  
Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: April 24, 2009