EASTMAN CHEMICAL CO Form 8-K October 23, 2008

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): October 23, 2008

#### EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 1-12626 62-1539359
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

200 South Wilcox Drive, Kingsport, TN 37660 (Address of Principal Executive (Zip Code) Offices)

(423) 229-2000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 23, 2008, the registrant publicly released its financial results for third quarter 2008. The full text of the release is furnished as Exhibit 99.01 to this Form 8-K, and is incorporated herein by reference. This information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits:	
(d) Exhibits	
The following exhibit is furnished pursuant to Item 9.01:	
99.01 Public release by the registrant on October 23, 2008 of third quarter 2008 financial results.	

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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.

Eastman Chemical Company

By: \_/s/Scott V.
King
Scott V. King
Vice President, Controller and Chief
Accounting Officer

Date: October 23, 2008