LHC Group, Inc Form 8-K February 02, 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): February 2, 2009

LHC GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	8082	71-0918189
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation)		Identification No.)

420 West Pinhook Rd., Suite A Lafayette, LA 70503

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(337) 233-1307

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On February 2, 2009, LHC Group, Inc. (the "Company") one of the largest providers of home nursing services in the United States, announced the completion of its previously announced home health joint venture with New Orleans-based Ochsner Health System, allowing both organizations to better serve 1.6 million residents in southeast Louisiana.

The joint venture includes an LHC Group purchase of 75% of two home health agencies, currently owned by Ochsner, in Kenner and Raceland, Louisiana, and an Ochsner purchase of 25% of three home health agencies, currently owned by LHC Group, in Houma, Lutcher and Hammond, Louisiana.

The combined net revenue for the agencies contributed by Ochsner for the most recent 12 months was approximately \$8.5 million. The combined net revenue for the agencies contributed by LHC Group for the most recent 12 months was approximately \$4.0 million.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION

99.1 Press Release dated February 2, 2009

SIGNATURE

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.

LHC GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Peter J. Roman
Peter J. Roman
Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

Dated: February 2, 2009

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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99.1 Press Release dated February 2, 2009.