

HARLEY DAVIDSON INC  
Form 8-K  
December 15, 2008

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Date of Report  
(Date of earliest  
event reported): December 9, 2008

Harley-Davidson, Inc.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin	1-9183	39-1382325
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

3700 West Juneau Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(414) 342-4680

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On December 9, 2008, James L. Ziemer, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Harley-Davidson, Inc. (the Company), advised the Board of Directors of the Company of his intention to retire from such positions during 2009 at such time as the Company has chosen a successor. The Company issued a press release relating to this matter, which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Other Events.

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being filed herewith:

(99.1) Press Release of Harley-Davidson, Inc., dated December 15, 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.

**HARLEY-DAVIDSON, INC.**

Date: December 15, 2008

By: /s/ Gail A. Lione  
Gail A. Lione  
Executive Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

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Exhibit  
Number

(99.1) Press Release of Harley-Davidson, Inc., dated December 15, 2008.