FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC Form 8-K April 24, 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): April 24, 2008

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-09318 (Commission File Number) 13-2670991 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

of incorporation)

One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, California (Address of principal executive offices)

94403 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (650) 312-3000

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " 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))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 24, 2008, Franklin Resources, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its preliminary financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2008. A copy of that press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this report, including the exhibit hereto, (x) shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section and (y) shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings (unless the Company specifically states that the information or exhibit in this particular report is incorporated by reference).

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated April 24, 2008 issued by Franklin Resources, Inc.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.

Date: April 24, 2008 /s/ Kenneth A. Lewis Name: Kenneth A. Lewis

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit Index

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