

UNITED THERAPEUTICS CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 17, 2009

**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**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **February 17, 2009**

**United Therapeutics Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**000-26301**

(Commission  
File Number)

**52-1984749**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**1110 Spring Street**  
**Silver Spring, MD**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**20910**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

**(301) 608-9292**

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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)
  
  - o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  
  - 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 February 17, 2009, United Therapeutics Corporation (the Company ) issued a press release setting forth its earnings for the Company's quarter and year ended December 31, 2008.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Exhibits**

This information shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liability under that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
99.1	Press release dated February 17, 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.

UNITED THERAPEUTICS CORPORATION

Dated: February 17, 2009

By: /s/ Paul A. Mahon  
Name: Paul A. Mahon  
Title: General Counsel

**Exhibit Index**

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