ATHEROGENICS INC Form 8-K January 22, 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): January 22, 2009

ATHEROGENICS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Georgia 0-31261 58-2108232
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

8995 Westside Parkway
Alpharetta, GA 30009
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (678) 336-2500

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):

- 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))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 22, 2009, AtheroGenics, Inc. issued a press release to provide an update on its bankruptcy proceedings. A copy of the press release is attached to this current report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this current report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 – Press Release dated January 22, 2009

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.

ATHEROGENICS, INC.

Date: January 22, 2009 /s/MARK P. COLONNESE

Mark P. Colonnese

Executive Vice President, Commercial

Operations

and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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