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Form 8-K  
February 23, 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 19, 2009**

**THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

0-16914

31-1223339

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

312 Walnut Street  
Cincinnati, Ohio

45202

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 977-3000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On February 19, 2009, we released information regarding results of operations for the quarter and year-to-date periods ended December 31, 2008. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.

The discussion and the information contained in the press release contain certain forward-looking statements related to the company's businesses that are based on our current expectations. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, trends, and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements. Such risks, trends and uncertainties, which in most instances are beyond our control, include changes in advertising demand and other economic conditions; consumers' tastes; newsprint prices; program costs; labor relations; technological developments; competitive pressures; interest rates; regulatory rulings; and reliance on third-party vendors for various products and services. The words believe, expect, anticipate, estimate, intend, and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements, which are as of the date of this filing, should be evaluated with the understanding of their inherent uncertainty. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date the statement is made.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

| <b>Exhibit Number</b> | <b>Description of Item</b>            | <b>Exhibit No. Incorporated</b> |
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| 99                    | Press release dated February 19, 2009 | 99                              |

**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.

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY

BY: /s/ Douglas F. Lyons  
Douglas F. Lyons  
Vice President and Controller

Dated: February 23, 2009