

EASTERN CO  
Form 8-K  
October 22, 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: October 22, 2008

(Date of earliest event reported)

**The Eastern Company**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Connecticut**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-599**

(Commission File Number)

**06-0330020**

(IRS Employer  
identification No.)

**112 Bridge Street, Naugatuck, Connecticut**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**06770**

(Zip Code)

**(203) 729-2255**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Section 2 Financial Information**

ITEM 2.02 - Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Press Release dated October 22, 2008 announcing the third quarter earnings for 2008 is attached hereto.

**Section 7 Regulation FD**

ITEM 7.01 - Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 22, 2008, The Eastern Company released the third quarter earnings of 2008. A copy of the Press Release dated October 22, 2008 announcing the third quarter earnings for 2008 is attached hereto.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

ITEM 9.01 - (d) Exhibits

- (99) Press Release dated October 22, 2008 announcing the third quarter earnings for 2008.

**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 Eastern Company**

Date: October 22, 2008

By: /s/John L. Sullivan III

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John L. Sullivan III  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer