ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC. Form DEFA14A October 16, 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) October 16, 2008 ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-7823 43-1162835

(State or Other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One Busch Place, St. Louis, 63118

Missouri

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 314-577-2000 NONE

(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 obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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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 October 16, 2008, Registrant issued a press release regarding the arbitration claims by Grupo Modelo, S.A.B. de C.V., Diblo S.A. de C.V. and the Grupo Modelo Series A shareholders. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued by Registrant dated October 16, 2008, regarding the arbitration claims by Grupo Modelo, S.A.B. de C.V., Diblo S.A. de C.V. and the Grupo Modelo Series A shareholders.

## **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.

ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ JoBeth G. Brown JoBeth G. Brown Vice President and Secretary

October 16, 2008 (Date)

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit No. Description

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Modelo, S.A.B. de C.V., Diblo S.A. de C.V. and the Grupo Modelo Series A shareholders.