

CASTLE A M & CO
Form 8-K
February 20, 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 20, 2009

A. M. Castle & Co.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-5415
(Commission
File Number)

36-0879160
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

3400 N. Wolf Road, Franklin Park, Illinois
(Address of principal executive offices)

60131
(Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number including area code

847/455-7111

N/A

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

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

Item 2.06. Material Impairments.

On February 20, 2009, A. M. Castle & Co. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing a material non-cash impairment charge to goodwill. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press Release by A.M. Castle & Co. |

Forward Looking Statements

Information provided and statements contained in this report that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements only speak as of the date of this report and the company assumes no obligation to update the information included in this report. Such forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of our business strategy. These statements often include words such as believe, expect, anticipate, intend, plan, estimate or similar expressions. Specifically, the range of the expected goodwill impairment charge referred to in this Current Report on Form 8-K is based on preliminary estimates, and the exact amount of the charge will not be known until completion of the Company's audit of its financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. These statements are not guarantees of performance or results and they involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. For a further description of these factors, see Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, which was filed on March 10, 2008. Although we believe that these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, there are many factors that could affect our actual financial results or results of operations and could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements.

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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.

A. M. Castle & Co.

By: /s/ Scott F. Stephens
Name: Scott F. Stephens
Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 20, 2009