KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN Form 8-K October 28, 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 28, 2008

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN

(Exact name of company as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

1-4717

44-0663509

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission file number)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

427 West 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(816) 983 1303

Not Applicable

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

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

Item 2.02

Kansas City Southern (the Company , KCS) is furnishing under Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, the information included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. Exhibit 99.1 is the Company s press release, dated October 28, 2008, announcing the Company s quarter and year to date ending September 30, 2008 earnings and operating results. Included in Exhibit 99.1 are schedules regarding certain financial information discussed during the Company s quarter and year to date ending September 30, 2008 earnings and operating s quarter and year to date ending September 30, 2008 analyst presentation and conference call.

The information included in this Item 2.02, and Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of or otherwise subject to the liabilities under Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended (the Exchange Act). Unless expressly incorporated into a filing of KCS under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Exchange Act made after the date hereof, the information contained in this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99.1 hereto shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing of KCS, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Press Release dated October 28, 2008 issued by Kansas City Southern entitled KCS Reports Third Quarter Revenue Growth of 10.7%; Net Income Up 17.0%; Operating Ratio Improves to 77.4% .

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SIGNATURE

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.

Kansas City Southern

October 28, 2008

By: /s/ Michael K. Borrows

Name: Michael K. Borrows

Title: Senior Vice President & Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)

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