PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC Form 8-K May 09, 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): May 9, 2008

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey (State or other jurisdiction

001-16707 (Commission File Number) 22-3703799 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

751 Broad Street

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Newark, New Jersey 07102

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(973) 802-6000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

On May 9, 2008, the registrant entered into Bilateral Bridge Loan Agreements (together, the Agreements) with each of the New York Branches of The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (together, the Lenders). Pursuant to the Agreements, the Lenders have agreed to arrange and provide to the registrant bridge financing on an unsecured basis in an aggregate amount of ¥74,801,622,740 (seventy-four billion eight-hundred one million six-hundred twenty-two thousand seven-hundred forty Japanese yen). The registrant intends to use the borrowings under the Agreements for the general corporate purposes of the registrant and its subsidiaries (including in connection with the refinancing of certain existing Japanese-yen denominated debt of a subsidiary of the registrant). Borrowings under the Agreements are subject customary conditions, including optional prepayment, and events of default.

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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.

Date: May 9, 2008

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC.

By: /s/ Stephen W. Gauster Name: Stephen W. Gauster

Title: Vice President and Assistant Secretary