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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

March 12, 2009

LM ERICSSON TELEPHONE COMPANY

 $(Translation\ of\ registrant\ \ s\ name\ into\ English)$

Torshamnsgatan 23, Kista

SE-164 83, Stockholm, Sweden

(Address of principal executive offices)

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PRESS RELEASE March 12, 2009

Ericsson releases its 2008 annual report

Ericsson (NASDAQ:ERIC) is today releasing its 2008 annual report. The company and its 78,740 employees generated net sales of SEK 208.9 billion in 2008, an increase of 11 percent on the previous year. The operating income reached SEK 23.9 billion, compared to SEK 30.6 billion in 2007.

The full report is available at: http://www.ericsson.com/ericsson/investors/index.shtml

Ericsson is the world's leading provider of technology and services to telecom operators. The market leader in 2G and 3G mobile technologies, Ericsson supplies communications services and manages networks that serve more than 250 million subscribers. The company's portfolio comprises mobile and fixed network infrastructure, and broadband and multimedia solutions for operators, enterprises and developers. The Sony Ericsson joint venture provides consumers with feature-rich personal mobile devices.

Ericsson is advancing its vision of communication for all through innovation, technology, and sustainable business solutions. Working in 175 countries, more than 70,000 employees generated revenue of USD 27 billion (SEK 209 billion) in 2008. Founded in 1876 and headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden, Ericsson is listed on OMX Nordic Exchange Stockholm and NASDAQ

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (publ)

By: /s/ Carl Olof Blomqvist

Carl Olof Blomqvist Senior Vice President and General Counsel

By: /s/ Henry Sténson

Henry Sténson Senior Vice President Corporate Communications

Date: March 12, 2009