

CRANE CO /DE/  
Form 8-K  
December 17, 2008

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 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): December 17, 2008**

**CRANE CO.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**DELAWARE**

**(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)**

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**1-1657**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-1952290**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**100 First Stamford Place, Stamford, CT**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**06902**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 363-7300**

**N/A**

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

**INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT**

**Section 2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**SECTION 8 OTHER EVENTS**

**ITEM 8.01 Other Events**

On December 17, 2008, Crane Co. issued a press release announcing that it had purchased all of the capital stock of Friedrich Krombach GmbH & Company KG Armaturenwerke and Krombach International GmbH, both of Kreuztal, Germany. Krombach is a leading manufacturer of specialty valve flow solutions for the power, oil and gas, and chemical markets, for a purchase price of approximately \$51 million in cash and the assumption of approximately \$18 million of net debt. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Section 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) None
- (b) None
- (c) None
- (d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated December 17, 2008, issued by Crane Co.

**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.

CRANE CO.

Dated: December 17, 2008

By: /s/ Timothy J. MacCarrick  
Timothy J. MacCarrick  
Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                                         |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
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