

FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/
Form 8-K
March 06, 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):

March 6, 2009

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Nevada | 0-15959 | 37-1078406 |
| (State or Other | (Commission | (I.R.S. Employer |
| Jurisdiction of Incorporation | File Number) | Identification No.) |
| 201 West Main Street, Urbana, IL | 61801 | |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | (Zip Code) | |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code: <u>(217) 365-4516</u> | | |

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On Friday, March 6, 2009, First Busey Corporation issued a press release announcing that it closed on the sale of preferred securities to the U.S. Department of Treasury under the Capital Purchase Program through the issuance of \$100 million of senior preferred stock and a warrant to acquire 1,147,666 shares of common stock at a strike price of \$13.07 per share.

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The press release made a part of this Form includes forward looking statements that are intended to be covered by the safe-harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward looking statements include but are not limited to comments with respect to the objectives and strategies, financial condition, results of operations and business of the Registrant.

These forward looking statements involve numerous assumptions, inherent risks

and uncertainties, both general and specific, and the risk that predictions and other forward looking statements will not be achieved. The Registrant cautions you not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements as a number of important factors could cause actual future results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward looking statements.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (d) Exhibits:
99.1 Press Release, dated March 6, 2009.

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.

Dated: March 6, 2009

FIRST BUSEY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Barbara J. Harrington

Name: Barbara J. Harrington
Title: Chief Financial Officer