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# 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) February 9, 2009

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-5823 36-6169860

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

333 S. Wabash, Chicago, Illinois

60604

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (312) 822-5000

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

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#### ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On February 9, 2009, the registrant issued a press release and posted on its website a financial supplement providing information on its results of operations for the fourth quarter and year-ended 2008. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and the financial supplement is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

The information under Item 2.02 and in Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 in this Current Report are being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information under Item 2.02 and in Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits:

| Exhibit No. | Description  |
|-------------|--|
| 99.1        | CNA Financial Corporation press release, issued February 9, 2009, providing information on the fourth quarter and year-ended 2008 results of operations.                                     |
| 99.2        | CNA Financial Corporation financial supplement, posted on its website February 9, 2009, providing supplemental financial information on the fourth quarter and year-ended 2008.  Page 2 of 3 |

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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.

CNA Financial Corporation

(Registrant)

Date: February 10, 2009 By /s/ D. Craig Mense

(Signature)

D. Craig Mense Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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