

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**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 18, 2008 (December 17, 2008)**

**STEEL DYNAMICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**0-21719**  
(Commission File Number)

**35-1929476**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**6714 Pointe Inverness Way, Suite 200, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46804**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **260-969-3500**

**Not Applicable**

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- 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 December 17, 2008, Steel Dynamics, Inc. issued a press release entitled "Steel Dynamics Announces Fourth Quarter 2008 Cash Dividend." The full text of the press release is furnished herewith and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	A press release dated December 17, 2008, "Steel Dynamics Announces Fourth Quarter 2008 Cash Dividend"

**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 hereto duly authorized.

STEEL DYNAMICS, INC.

By: /s/ Theresa E. Wagler  
Theresa E. Wagler  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 18, 2008

**Press Release**  
**December 17, 2008**



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**Steel Dynamics Announces Fourth Quarter 2008 Cash Dividend**

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, December 17, 2008 – Steel Dynamics, Inc. – (NASDAQ-GS: STLD) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share to be distributed to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 31, 2008. This dividend will be payable on or about January 12, 2009.

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