ATHEROGENICS INC Form 8-K January 21, 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): January 20, 2009

ATHEROGENICS, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Georgia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

File Number)

0-31261

(Commission

Identification Number)

58-2108232

(I.R.S. Employer

8995 Westside Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30009 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (678) 336-2500

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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Item 8.01 Other Events

AtheroGenics, Inc. (the "Company") is required to file monthly operating reports in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Georgia (the "Bankruptcy Court"). On January 20, 2009, the Company filed its monthly operating report for the month ended December 31, 2008 with the Bankruptcy Court. Selected financial information for the month of December included in the monthly operating report (the "Selected Financial Information") is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in the Selected Financial Information is preliminary and subject to revision, and the Company cautions readers not to place undue reliance upon this information. The Selected Financial Information is unaudited, in a format prescribed by applicable bankruptcy laws, and has not been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The information in the Selected Financial Information might not be indicative of the Company's financial condition or operating results for the period that would be reflected in the Company's financial statements or in a periodic report filed pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The information set forth in the Selected Financial Information should not be viewed as indicative of future results and should not be used for investment purposes.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this current report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 – Selected Financial Information

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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.

ATHEROGENICS, INC.

Date: January 21, 2009

By: /s/MARK P. COLONNESE Mark P. Colonnese Executive Vice President, Commercial Operations and Chief Financial Officer

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