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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): March 31, 2009

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada 000-21430 88-0296885

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

2901 Las Vegas Boulevard

Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (702) 794-9237

(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))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 31, 2009, Riviera Holdings Corporation announced through a press release its fourth quarter 2008 financial results and that it had missed its first quarter 2009 interest payment. A copy of the press release disclosing those results is furnished as Exhibit 99 hereto.

The information in this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99 hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as and when expressly set forth by such specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by Riviera Holdings Corporation on March 31, 2009.

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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.

Date: March 31, 2009 RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Phillip B. Simons

Phillip B. Simons

Treasurer and Chief Financial

Officer