
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

Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-15943

06-1397316

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

251 Ballardvale St., Wilmington, Massachusetts

01887

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

978-658-6000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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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 2.05 Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

As part of a realignment of our infrastructure intended to enhance our operating efficiencies, on February 9, 2009 Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (the "Company") announced that it has decided to undertake a number of actions in the first quarter of 2009. Included in these actions is the commitment to close the Company's Preclinical Services site in Arkansas by the end of 2009. The closure is expected to result in a one-time write-off of approximately \$5.4 million, which consists of cash severance payments to employees of approximately \$2.2 million, as well as a write-off of approximately \$3.2 million related to the disposition of the associated real property. The Company expects these charges to be recorded primarily in the first quarter of 2009.

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.

Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

February 11, 2009

By: *Matthew L. Daniel*

Name: Matthew L. Daniel

Title: Senior Corporate Counsel and Assistant Secretary