

FORCE PROTECTION INC  
Form 8-K  
March 16, 2009

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 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 16, 2009**

**FORCE PROTECTION, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**001-33253**  
(Commission File Number)

**84-1383888**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

**9801 Highway 79, Building No. 1  
Ladson, South Carolina 29456**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(843) 574-7000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - 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))
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On March 16, 2009, Force Protection, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its preliminary results of operations and financial condition for the fiscal quarter and full fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On March 16, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing its preliminary results of operations and financial condition for the fiscal quarter and full fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. The Company will host a conference call and webcast at 4:30 a.m. Eastern Time on Monday, March 16, 2009 to discuss its preliminary results of operations and financial condition and its business outlook.

While the question-and-answer session of the call will be limited to institutional analysts and investors, retail brokers and individual investors are invited to listen to a live webcast. The webcast may be accessed via the home page of the Company's website at [www.forceprotection.net](http://www.forceprotection.net). Please visit the website at least 15 minutes prior to the call to register for the webcast and download any necessary software.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Safe Harbor Statement**

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward looking statements that are not historical facts, including statements about our beliefs and expectations. These statements are based on beliefs and assumptions of the Company's management, and on information currently available to management. These forward looking statements include, among other things: the growth and demand for the Company's vehicles; including the Tactical Support Vehicle, the ForceArmor kits and the M-ATV Cheetahs; the Company's ability to develop new technologies and products, and the effectiveness of these technologies and products; the Company's execution of its business strategy and strategic transformation, including ability to right-size its manufacturing base, diversify the range of its product offerings and utilize world-class partners; the timing to file the 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K; and the Company's expected financial and operating results, including its revenues and cash flow, for future periods. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update any of them publicly in light of new information or future events. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Examples of these factors include, but are not limited to, the Company's ability to fulfill the above described orders on a timely basis, the ability to effectively manage the risks in the Company's business; the ability to develop new technologies and products and the acceptance of these technologies and products; the ability to obtain new orders for its vehicles and products; the timing and

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nature of the final resolution of the Company's previously disclosed accounting issues; the Company's ability to identify and remedy its internal control weaknesses and deficiencies, and other risk factors and cautionary statements listed in the Company's periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange

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Commission, including the risks set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 and the Quarterly Report for the period ended September 30, 2008.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release dated March 16, 2009 entitled Force Protection, Inc. Announces Unaudited FY08 Results

**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 16, 2009

Force Protection, Inc.  
(Registrant)

/s/ Michael Moody  
(Signature)

Name:  
Title:

Michael Moody  
President & Chief Executive Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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