METLIFE INC Form 8-K April 16, 2009

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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): April 13, 2009 METLIFE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 1-15787 13-4075851

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166-0188

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

212-578-2211

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code) N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 13, 2009, MetLife, Inc. issued a press release in which it stated that it would not participate in the U.S. Department of the Treasury s Capital Purchase Program and that it had approximately \$5 billion of excess capital at December 31, 2008. Excess capital at December 31, 2008 consisted of capital in MetLife, Inc. s insurance subsidiaries in excess of what MetLife, Inc. believes would support a risk-based capital ratio of 350%, and additional available assets at the holding company. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release of MetLife, Inc., dated April 13, 2009, relating to the U.S. Department of the Treasury s Capital Purchase Program.

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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.

METLIFE, INC.

By: /s/ Gwenn L. Carr

Name: Gwenn L. Carr

Title: Senior Vice-President and Secretary

Date: April 16, 2009

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