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 6, 2009

INTEL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

000-06217

94-1672743

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2200 Mission College Blvd., Santa Clara, California 95054-1549

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(408) 765-8080

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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 (<i>see</i> General Instruction A.2. below):
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EXPLANATORY NOTE.

The information in this report shall be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement heretofore or hereafter filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except to the extent that such information is superseded by information as of a subsequent date that is included in or incorporated by reference into such registration statement. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein is information regarding the Company's press release of January 7, 2009 announcing preliminary fourth quarter 2008 financial information.

Item 2.06 MATERIAL IMPAIRMENTS.

In conjunction with the preparation of the Company's financial statements for 2008, on January 6, 2009, in response to economic conditions affecting the fair value of the Company's current equity holdings of Clearwire, the Company concluded that its holdings of Clearwire were impaired. Accordingly, the Company will record an impairment charge of approximately \$950 million in the fourth quarter of 2008.

The impairment charge described in this report is a non-cash charge.

Item 2.02 is incorporated herein by reference.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT.

This Form 8-K contains estimates of the Company's preliminary fourth quarter financial information. The Company is continuing to review its financial and operating results and actual results may differ materially from those contained herein. Among the important factors that could cause results to vary from those contained herein are identification of additional assets such as debt or equity securities or inventories that require an impairment charge be recorded. In addition, the preliminary fourth quarter financial information could vary from the above estimates based on the final accounting.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished as part of this Report.

Exhibit Description

Number

99.1 Press Release of Intel Corporation of January 7, 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.

INTEL CORPORATION (Registrant)

/s/ Cary I. Klafter
Cary I. Klafter
Corporate Secretary Date: January 7, 2009



News Release

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Intel Announces Preliminary Fourth-Quarter Financial Information

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Jan. 7, 2009 – Intel Corporation today announced preliminary fourth-quarter financial information with revenue of approximately \$8.2 billion, down 20 percent sequentially and down 23 percent year over year. Revenue will be lower than the company's previous expectation, provided on Nov. 12, 2008, as a result of further weakness in end demand and inventory reductions by its customers in the global PC supply chain.

The preliminary estimate of gross margin for the fourth quarter is at the bottom of the previous expectation of 55 percent, plus or minus a couple of points.

As a result of the year-end market price of Clearwire Corporation stock, Intel will impair the value of its investment, resulting in a non-cash charge to fourth-quarter earnings of approximately \$950 million. The company now expects the net gain or loss from equity investments and interest and other to be a loss of between \$1.1 billion and \$1.2 billion versus a previous expectation of a loss of approximately \$50 million.

Spending (R&D plus MG&A) is expected to be approximately \$2.6 billion, lower than the previous expectation of approximately \$2.8 billion.

Restructuring and asset impairment charges are expected to be approximately \$250 million, unchanged.

The company is continuing to review its fourth-quarter results and will provide additional information in its previously scheduled earnings announcement on Jan. 15. A news release will

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be distributed after close of market, and a public webcast will be available at 2:30 p.m. PST on the Investor Relations Web site at intc.com. The company is currently observing the pre-earnings quiet period and will not make further comments about its fourth-quarter results in the interim.

Cautionary Statement

The above statements contain estimates of the company's preliminary fourth-quarter financial information. The company is continuing to review its financial and operating results, and actual results may differ materially from those contained herein. Among the important factors that could cause actual results to vary from those contained herein are identification of additional assets such as debt or equity securities or inventories that require an impairment charge to be recorded. In addition, the preliminary fourth-quarter financial information could vary from the above estimates based on the final accounting.

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