

**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 16, 2009**

REDWOOD MORTGAGE INVESTORS VIII

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

California
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

000-27816
(Commission File Number)

94-3158788
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**900 Veterans Blvd., Suite 500
Redwood City, California 94063**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(650) 365-5341
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable
(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:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 16, 2009, Redwood Mortgage Investors VIII mailed a letter to its limited partners. The full text of the letter is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Redwood Mortgage Investors VIII letter to limited partners dated March 16, 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.

Dated: March 16, 2009

REDWOOD MORTGAGE INVESTORS VIII

By: /S/ Michael R. Burwell
Michael R. Burwell, General Partner

By: Gymno Corporation, General Partner

By: /S/ Michael R. Burwell
Michael R. Burwell, President, Secretary/Treasurer
& Chief Financial Officer

By: Redwood Mortgage Corp., General Partner

By: /S/ Michael R. Burwell
Michael R. Burwell,
President, Secretary/Treasurer

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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