

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC

Form 8-K

April 22, 2008

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 22, 2008 (April 22, 2008)

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other

Jurisdiction of

Incorporation)

001-13913
(Commission

File Number)

51-0261715
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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6300 Lamar Avenue

Overland Park, Kansas 66202

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(913) 236-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Registrant's 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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

 - 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

The information in this report is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition. In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this report shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing. The furnishing of the information set forth in this report is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission as to the materiality or completeness of such information.

On April 22, 2008, Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing the Company's financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2008. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. Effective with reporting financial result for first quarter 2008, the Company is reporting net flows as opposed to its prior practice of reporting net sales. The calculation of net flows includes sales, redemptions, exchanges, reinvested dividends and capital gains. A full asset roll-forward is available in the supplemental table titled Changes in Assets Under Management that is included with each earnings press release.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated April 22, 2008 titled Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. Reports First Quarter Results *(furnished and not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended).*

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL, INC.

Date: April 21, 2008

By: /s/ Daniel P. Connealy
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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