

ORIENTAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC  
Form 8-K  
October 10, 2008

**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): October 10, 2008**

**ORIENTAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC.**

*(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)*

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

001-12647

66-0538893

*(State or other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)*

*(Commission File No.)*

*(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)*

Oriental Center  
Professional Offices Park  
997 San Roberto Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

00926

*(Address of Principal Executive Offices)*

*(Zip Code)*

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (787) 771-6800

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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

**Item 2.06. Material Impairments.**

Oriental Bank and Trust, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Oriental Financial Group Inc. (the Group ), has a counterparty exposure to Lehman Brothers Finance S.A. ( LBFSA ) in connection with derivative transactions under option agreements. LBFSA filed for bankruptcy in New York on October 3, 2008. As a result of the uncertain recoverability of this counterparty exposure, management of the Group determined on the date hereof that this event will likely result in a loss on derivative activities of approximately \$5.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2008.

**SIGNATURES**

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

**ORIENTAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC.**

Date: October 10, 2008

By: /s/ Norberto González  
Norberto González  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer