WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS Form 8-K October 27, 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 27, 2008

WESTAR ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

KANSAS (State or other jurisdiction of

1-3523 (Commission File Number) 48-0290150 (IRS Employer

 $incorporation\ or\ organization)$

Identification No.)

818 South Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas 66612 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (785) 575-6300

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))

WESTAR ENERGY, INC.

Section 1. Registrant s Business and Operations

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 27, 2008, we entered a definitive Stipulation and Agreement with all parties to our Kansas retail rate case. The settlement, which we announced on October 24, 2008, provides for a \$130 million annual increase in rates and addresses certain other issues. The settlement, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein, is subject to approval by the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Stipulation and Agreement dated October 27, 2008

SIGNATURE

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.

Westar Energy, Inc.

Date: October 27, 2008 By: /s/ Larry D. Irick

Name: Larry D. Irick

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description of Exhibit

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