# 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 23, 2008

# CASS INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Missouri (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 2-80070 (Commission File Number) 43-1265338 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

13001 Hollenberg Drive Bridgeton, Missouri (Address of principal executive offices)

63044 (Zip Code)

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} (314)\ 506\text{-}5500 \\ (Registrant's\ telephone\ number,\ including\ area\ code) \end{tabular}$ 

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:					
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act.				
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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act.				
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act.				

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 23, 2008, Cass Information Systems, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the third quarter of fiscal year 2008. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information reported under this Item 2.02 of Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 23, 2008, the Company also announced a fourth quarter cash dividend of \$0.13 per share, payable December 15, 2008, to shareholders of record as of December 5, 2008.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Number	Description
99.1	Press release issued by Cass Information Systems, Inc. dated October 23, 2008.

# **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: October 23, 2008

# CASS INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Eric H. Brunngraber

Name: Eric H. Brunngraber

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ P. Stephen Appelbaum

P. Stephen Appelbaum

Title: Chief Financial Officer

# **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit Number 99.1 Description
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October 23, 2008

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Cass Information Systems, Inc. Reports a 12% Increase in 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Net Income and An 8% Increase in its Quarterly Cash Dividend

ST. LOUIS – <u>Cass Information Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CASS)</u>, the nation's leading provider of transportation, utility and telecom invoice payment and information services reported third quarter 2008 net income of \$5.2 million, a 12% increase over the \$4.7 million in net income reported in the third quarter of 2007. The company posted earnings of \$.56 per fully-diluted share, a 12% increase over the \$.50 per fully-diluted share earned a year earlier.

## 2008 3rd Quarter Recap

			%
	9/30/08	9/30/07	Change
Transportation Dollar Volume	\$4.9 billion	\$3.7 billion	35%
Utility Dollar Volume	\$2.6 billion	\$2.1 billion	27%
Revenues	\$23.9 million	\$22.5 million	6%
Net Income	\$5.2 million	\$4.7 million	12%
Diluted Earnings per Share	\$.56	\$.50	12%

Payment and processing fees increased 15%, or \$1.7 million, compared to the year-earlier period. Freight transaction volume was up 13% and dollar volume rose 35% due primarily to new business. Utility transaction volume was up 14% and utility dollar volume rose 27% due to new business and heightened activity from existing customers.

Net investment income decreased \$427,000, or 4%, primarily due to the overall decline in interest rates.

Operating expenses were up 5%, or \$815,000, as a result of higher employee costs related to transaction growth.

"The continued strong growth in transaction volume experienced by our utility and freight invoice processing operations have enabled the company to overcome the negative effects of the current low interest rate environment," said <u>Eric H. Brunngraber</u>, Cass president and chief executive officer. "These solid results are encouraging, particularly considering the challenges posed by the current economic environment. We remain optimistic about the ability of the company to continue to perform well in the future."

Due to its lack of exposure to sub-prime mortgage loans, mortgage-backed securities, or residential development loans of any kind, the issues that are having a significant detrimental effect on the financial community are not affecting Cass in such a manner.

## Nine-Month 2008 Recap

			%
	9/30/08	9/30/07	Change
Transportation Dollar Volume	\$13.1 billion	\$10.8 billion	22%
Utility Dollar Volume	\$7.1 billion	\$5.7 billion	25%
Revenues	\$68.6 million	\$66.2 million	4%
Net Income	\$13.8 million	\$13.1 million	6%
Diluted Earnings per Share	\$1.47	\$1.40	5%

Over the first nine months of 2008, payment and processing fees increased 11%, or \$3.8 million, compared to the year-earlier period. Freight transaction volume was up 10% and dollar volume rose 22%. Utility transaction volume was up 14% and dollar volume rose 25%.

Net investment income decreased \$1,480,000, or 5%, primarily due to the overall decline in interest rates.

Operating expenses were up 5%, or \$2,418,000, as a result of higher employee costs related to transaction growth.

#### Cash Dividend Increased by 8%

On October 20, 2008, the Company's Board of Directors declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of \$.13 per share payable December 15, 2008 to shareholders of record December 5, 2008. This represents an 8% increase over the prior dividend payout. "The Company continues to perform well and the Board of Directors is pleased to provide continuing increases in dividends for our shareholders," said Mr. Brunngraber. CASS has continuously paid regularly scheduled cash dividends since 1934.

#### **About Cass Information Systems**

Cass Information Systems is the leading provider of transportation, utility and telecom invoice payment and information services. The company, which has been involved in the payables services and information support business since 1956, disburses over \$25 billion annually on behalf of customers from processing centers in St. Louis, Mo., Columbus, Ohio, Boston, Mass., Greenville, S.C. and Wellington, Kansas. The support of <u>Cass Commercial Bank</u>, founded in 1906, makes Cass Information Systems unique in the industry. Cass is part of the <u>Russell 2000® Index</u> and earlier this year was one of only 27 companies to be honored with a <u>2008 Supplier Excellence Award</u> by <u>AT&T Inc. (NYSE:T)</u> for its service in utility management.

## **Note to Investors**

Certain matters set forth in this news release may contain forward-looking statements that are provided to assist in the understanding of anticipated future financial performance. However, such performance involves risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those in such statements. For a discussion of certain factors that may cause such forward-looking statements to differ materially from the company's actual results, see the company's reports filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission including the company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007.

# **Selected Consolidated Financial Data**

The following table presents selected unaudited consolidated financial data (in thousands, except per share data) for the periods ended September 30, 2008 and 2007:

		Quarter Ended 9/30/08		Quarter Ended 9/30/07	Ni	ne Months Ended 9/30/08	Ni	ne Months Ended 9/30/07
Transportation Invoice Volume		6,772	_	5,976		19,509		17,659
Transportation Dollar Volume	\$4	,936,507	\$3	,669,117	\$1	3,149,602	\$1	0,764,558
Utility Transaction Volume		2,702		2,361		7,852		6,872
Utility Dollar Volume	\$2	2,633,438	\$2	,081,529	\$	7,126,799	\$	5,687,627
Payment and Processing Fees	\$	13,116	\$	11,441	\$	37,907	\$	34,089
Net Investment Income		10,023		10,450		28,750		30,230
Gain on Sale of Securities		209		_		209		<del></del>
Other		568		629		1,692		1,895
Total Revenues	\$	23,916	\$	22,520	\$	68,558	\$	66,214
Salaries and Benefits	\$	12,468	\$	11,700	\$	37,401	\$	35,135
Occupancy		576		550		1,676		1,572
Equipment		825		876		2,521		2,565
Other		2,610		2,538		7,749		7,657
Total Operating Expenses	\$	16,479	\$	15,664	\$	49,347	\$	46,929
Income from Operations before Income Taxes	\$	7,437	\$	6,856	\$	19,211	\$	19,285
Provision for Income Taxes		2,209		2,179		5,398		6,230
Net Income	\$	5,228	\$	4,677	\$	13,813	\$	13,055
Basic Earnings per Share	\$	.57	\$	.51	\$	1.51	\$	1.42
Diluted Earnings per Share	\$	.56	\$	.50	\$	1.47	\$	1.40
Average Earning Assets	\$	864,685	\$	827,755	\$	822,980	\$	799,144
Net Interest Margin		5.34%		5.46%		5.43%		5.48%
Allowance for Loan Losses to Loans		1.09%		1.18%		1.09%		1.18%
Non-performing Loans to Total Loans		.30%		.06%		.30%		.06%
Net Loan Charge-offs to Loans		.06%		.20%		.28%		.24%
Provision for Loan Losses	\$	500	\$	225	\$	1,600	\$	675