

MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 13, 2009

**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):

January 9, 2009

**MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**000-51026**  
(Commission  
File Number)  
**6409 Guadalupe Mines Road**  
**San Jose, California 95120**

**77-0466789**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(408) 826-0600**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 January 12, 2009, Monolithic Power Systems, Inc. ( MPS ), a Delaware corporation, issued a press release announcing that the U.S. International Trade Commission has formally started a dispute resolution proceeding to resolve a patent dispute between MPS and O2 Micro, Inc. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits  
(d) Exhibits.**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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**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, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 13, 2009

By:

/s/ C. Richard Neely, Jr.  
**C. Richard Neely, Jr.**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

**(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer**

**and Duly Authorized Officer)**