

MERCURY GENERAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 28, 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 26, 2009**

**MERCURY GENERAL CORPORATION**

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

**California**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)**

**001-12257**  
**(Commission  
File Number)**  
**4484 Wilshire Boulevard**

**95-221-1612**  
**(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)**

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Los Angeles, California 90010

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(323) 937-1060

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On January 26, 2009, Mercury General Corporation (the Company) received the resignation of Charles E. McClung from the Board of Directors of the Company effective immediately. Mr. McClung has been a director of the Company and its predecessor since 1961 and the Board of Directors expresses its appreciation to Mr. McClung for his nearly 50 years of service on behalf of the Company and his invaluable advice on all types of agent matters. Mr. McClung had no disagreements with the Company, its Board of Directors or its management in any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

**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.

Date: January 28, 2009

**MERCURY GENERAL CORPORATION**

By: /s/ THEODORE STALICK  
Name: Theodore Stalick  
Its: Chief Financial Officer

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