

IVANHOE ENERGY INC
Form 6-K
February 12, 2009

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549
FORM 6-K
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
February 11, 2009
Commission File Number: 000-30586
IVANHOE ENERGY INC.

(Translation of Registrant's Name into English)

Suite 654 999 Canada Place, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3E1, CANADA

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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* The registrant files annual reports under cover of Form 10-K

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes: No:

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

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This Report on Form 6-K incorporates by reference the exhibit attached hereto.

Exhibit	Title
1	Early Notice

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, thereunto duly authorized.

IVANHOE ENERGY INC.

Date: February 11, 2009

By: /s/ Beverly A. Bartlett
BEVERLY A. BARTLETT
Vice President & Corporate Secretary