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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

January 20, 2009

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

ITRON, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Washington 000-22418 91-1011792 (State or Other Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Jurisdiction Identification No.) of Incorporation)

2111 N. Molter Road, Liberty Lake, WA 99019

(509) 924-9900

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Zip Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

Itron, Inc. (the "Company") entered into exchange agreements dated January 16, 2009, January 20, 2009, January 21, 2009, January 22, 2009 and January 23, 2009 with holders of the Company's 2.50% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes Due 2026 (the "Convertible Notes") to issue, in the aggregate, 2,158,842 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value (the "Common Stock"), in exchange for, in the aggregate, \$115,984,000 principal amount of the Convertible Notes, representing 33.7% of the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Convertible Notes. All of the Convertible Notes acquired by the Company pursuant to the exchange agreements will be retired upon closing of the exchanges. The issuance of the shares of Common Stock in these transactions is exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933 pursuant to Section 3(a)(9) under the Securities Act. No commission or remuneration was paid or given, directly or indirectly, for soliciting these transactions.

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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.

By: /s/ Steven M. Helmbrecht

ITRON, INC.

Dated: January 23, 2009 Steven M. Helmbrecht

Sr. Vice President and Chief Financial Officer