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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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 12, 2008

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION (exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada 000-21430 88-0296885 (State or other (Commission (IRS Employer jurisdiction of File Number) Identification No.) incorporation)

2901 Las Vegas Boulevard

Las Vegas, Nevada 89109
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (702) 794-9527

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

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 12, 2008, we issued a press release reporting that announced the appointment of Mr. Nicholas J. Polcino, Jr. to the position of General Manager of Riviera Black Hawk, pending approval by the Colorado Division of Gaming. A copy of the press release is included in Exhibit 99.1.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.

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- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits:

Exhibit 99.1 Riviera Holdings Corporation press release dated March 12, 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.

Date: March 12, 2008 RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Mark Lefever

Mark Lefever

Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer