PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP Form 8-K September 16, 2008

## **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

September 16, 2008 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

# **Protective Life Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-11339** (Commission File Number) 95-2492236 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2801 Highway 280 South

Birmingham, Alabama 35223

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

#### (205) 268-1000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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#### N/A

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

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

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On September 16, 2008, Protective Life Corporation issued a press release confirming its credit exposures to Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Lehman Brothers and AIG and made available supplemental investment portfolio information. This information is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and incorporated by reference herein.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release Dated September 16, 2008

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#### 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.

PROTECTIVE LIFE CORPORATION /s/Steven G. Walker Steven G. Walker Senior Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer

Dated: September 16, 2008

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