BGC Partners, Inc. Form 8-K August 27, 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 26, 2008

BGC Partners, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of other jurisdiction

0-28191 (Commission File Number) 13-4063515 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

499 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10022

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code (212) 610-2200

(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 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

On August 26, 2008 BGC Partners, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it has entered into a definitive agreement through one of its affiliates to acquire a leading Brazilian inter-dealer broker Liquidez DTVM Ltda.

A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 BGC Partners, Inc. press release dated August 26, 2008.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BGC Partners, Inc.

Date: August 27, 2008 By: /s/ Stephen M. Merkel

Name: Stephen M. Merkel

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary