

Gildan Activewear Inc.  
Form 6-K  
December 23, 2008

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UNITED STATES  
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

For the month of: December  
2008

Commission File Number: 1-14830

GILDAN ACTIVEWEAR INC.

*(Translation of Registrant's name into English)*

725 Montée de Liesse  
Montréal, Québec  
Canada H4T 1P5

*(Address of Principal Executive Offices)*

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Yes

No

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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.

**GILDAN ACTIVEWEAR INC.**

Date: December 22, 2008

By: /s/ Lindsay Matthews  
Name:

Lindsay Matthews  
Title:

Director, Legal Services and  
Corporate Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
<u>99.1</u>	<u>Gildan Activewear: 2008 Annual Report</u>

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