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PENN TREATY AMERICAN CORP
Form 8-K
December 23, 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): December 15, 2008

Penn Treaty American Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-14681

(Commission File Number)

23-1664166

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

3440 Lehigh Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18103

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(610) 965-2222**

Not Applicable

(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 December 15, 2008, Penn Treaty American Corporation (the Company) entered into a non-binding letter of intent to sell a majority interest in one of the Company s insurance subsidiaries, American Network Insurance Company (the Proposed Transaction). The Proposed Transaction would also include the sale of substantially all of the Company s long-term care insurance policies issued after December 31, 2001. The Proposed Transaction remains subject to numerous conditions, including the completion of due diligence by the purchaser and entry into a definitive agreement. Approval of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department will be required in connection with this Proposed Transaction.

A press release announcing the execution of the non-binding letter of intent is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated December 17, 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.

PENN TREATY AMERICAN CORPORATION

December 23, 2008

By: /s/ Mark Cloutier

Name: Mark Cloutier

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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