Alliance Holdings GP, L.P.
Form 8-K
January 27, 2010

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): January 27, 2010

ALLIANCE HOLDINGS GP, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware **(State or other jurisdiction of** **incorporation or organization)**	**Commission File No.: 0-51952**	**03-573898** **(IRS Employer** **Identification No.)**

1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(918) 295-1415

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

¨ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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¨ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the following information and the exhibits referenced therein are being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and are not deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are not subject to the liabilities of that section and are not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

On January 27, 2010 Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. (the Partnership) announced via press release its annual and quarterly earnings and operating results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2009. A copy of the Partnership s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. press release dated as of January 27, 2010.

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.

Alliance Holdings GP, L.P.

By: Alliance GP, LLC,

its general partner

By: /s/ JOSEPH W. CRAFT III
Joseph W. Craft III
President and Chief Executive Officer
Date: January 27, 2010