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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 October 2008

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

(Translation of Registrant s Name Into English)

No. 8, Li-Hsin Rd. 6, Hsinchu Science Park, Taiwan

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited For the month of September 2008

This is to report 1) the changes in the shareholdings of our directors, executive officers and shareholders who own more than 10% of total outstanding common shares of Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd. (The Company; TSMC) (NYSE:TSM); 2) the pledge and clear of pledge of TSMC common shares by our directors, executive officers and shareholders who own more than 10% of total outstanding common shares of TSMC; 3) the acquisition of assets by TSMC and 4) the disposition of assets by TSMC for the month of Sep. 2008.

1) The changes in the shareholdings of our directors, executive officers and shareholders who own more than 10% of total outstanding common shares:

Number of shares held as Number of ofshares held as ofSeptember 30, Title August 31, 2008 2008 Name Changes 117,225,268 822,429 Chairman Morris Chang 118,047,697

2) The pledge and clear of pledge of TSMC common shares by our directors, executive officers and shareholders who own more than 10% of total outstanding common shares: None.

3) The acquisition of assets:

Description of assets

Purchase price NT\$ 628,209,570 NT\$ 1,728,435,511

Manufacturing Equipment Corporate Bonds

4) The disposition of assets: None.

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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.

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

Date: October 23, 2008 By /s/ Lora Ho

Lora Ho

Vice President & Chief Financial

Officer