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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

Form 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

26 January 2009

Reed Elsevier PLC

(Translation of registrant' s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive office)

Reed Elsevier NV

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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.

Reed Elsevier PLC

Date: 01/26/2009

By: L Dixon

Name: L Dixon

Title: Deputy Secretary

Reed Elsevier NV

Date: 01/26/2009

By: L Dixon

Name: L Dixon

Title: Authorised Signatory

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99	Jan Hommen to step down

News Release

Issued on behalf of Reed Elsevier PLC and Reed Elsevier NV

For immediate distribution
26 January 2009

Jan Hommen to step down as Chairman and as a Board member of Reed Elsevier

Reed Elsevier announced today that Mr Jan Hommen will step down as Chairman and as a Board member of Reed Elsevier PLC and of Reed Elsevier NV at the companies' Annual General Meetings on 21 and 22 April 2009 respectively. This follows his appointment as Chief Executive Officer of ING Group from 27 April 2009 on confirmation at the ING Group Annual General Meeting. The Reed Elsevier Nominations Committee will oversee the process of appointing a successor as Chairman to Mr Hommen.

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Notes to Editors

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Reed Elsevier is a world leading provider of professional information and online workflow solutions in the Science, Medical, Legal, Risk Analytics, and Business sectors.

The group employs more than 35,000 people, including approximately 20,000 in North America. In February 2008, Reed Elsevier reported revenues for 2007 of £4,584m/ 6,693m.

Reed Elsevier Group plc is owned equally by two parent companies, Reed Elsevier PLC and Reed Elsevier NV. Their shares are traded on the London, Amsterdam and New York Stock Exchanges using the following ticker symbols: London: REL; Amsterdam: REN; New York: RUK and ENL.