

INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/
Form 8-K
July 13, 2006

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: July 13, 2006

Date of Earliest Event Reported: July 13, 2006

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW YORK
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-3157
(Commission File Number)

13-0872805
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

6400 Poplar Avenue

Memphis, Tennessee 38197

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

(901) 419-7000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

400 Atlantic Street

Stamford, Connecticut 06921

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

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

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On July 13, 2006, International Paper Company issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has authorized a new share repurchase program for up to \$3 billion of its outstanding common stock. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing description of the press release is qualified in its entirety by reference to such exhibit

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued on July 13, 2006.

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.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Maura A. Smith

Name: Maura A. Smith

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

Date: July 13, 2006