

APPLERA CORP
Form 8-K
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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

February 29, 2008

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

APPLERA CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-04389
(Commission
File Number)

06-1534213
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

301 Merritt 7
Norwalk, Connecticut
(Address of principal executive offices)

(203) 840-2000

06851
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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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 February 29, 2008, Applera Corporation (Applera) announced that it had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the possible separation of its Celera Group from Applera. Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01 is the text of Applera's February 29, 2008, press release announcing the filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed with this Report:

| <i>Exhibit No.</i> | <i>Description</i> |
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| 99.1 | Press Release issued February 29, 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.

APPLERA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Thomas P. Livingston
Thomas P. Livingston
Vice President and Secretary

Dated: March 3, 2008

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued February 29, 2008.