ESPEED INC Form 8-K March 17, 2008

# 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): March 14, 2008

# eSpeed, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 0-28191 (Commission File Number) 13-4063515 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

**Identification Number**)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (212) 610-2200

N/A

(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 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 8.01. Other Events.

On March 14, 2008, at eSpeed, Inc. s (the Company s ) special meeting of stockholders of, the Company s stockholders adopted the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 29, 2007, as amended as of November 5, 2007 and February 1, 2008, by and among the Company, BGC Partners, Inc., Cantor Fitzgerald, L.P., BGC Partners, L.P., BGC Global Holdings, L.P. and BGC Holdings, L.P., pursuant to which, among other things, BGC Partners will be merged with and into the Company, with the Company continuing as the surviving entity in the merger and being renamed BGC Partners, Inc. The merger is expected to close on or prior to April 1, 2008.

A copy of the related press release issued by the Company on March 14, 2008 is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by eSpeed, Inc. on March 14, 2008

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

eSPEED, INC.

Date: March 14, 2008 By: /s/ Howard W. Lutnick

Name: Howard W. Lutnick

Title: Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

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**Description**Press release issued by eSpeed, Inc. on March 14, 2008 99.1