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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 21, 2006

Kennametal Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter) **Pennsylvania**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-5318 25-0900168

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

World Headquarters 1600 Technology Way P.O. Box 231 Latrobe, Pennsylvania

15650-0231

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(724) 539-5000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 21, 2006, Kennametal Inc. (the Company) and Kennametal Europe GmbH, a Switzerland limited liability company and wholly-owned foreign subsidiary of the Company, entered into an unsecured \$500 million five-year Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Amendment) with Bank of America, N.A. (as Administrative Agent); Keybank National Association and National City Bank of Pennsylvania (as Co-Syndication Agents); PNC Bank, National Association and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (as Co-Documentation Agents); and the Several Lenders from time to time parties thereto. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms used herein have the meaning ascribed to them in the Amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The Amendment amends, restates and replaces the Company s \$500 million five-year Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of October 29, 2004 among the Company, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Keybank National Association and National City Bank of Pennsylvania, as the Co-Syndication Agents, PNC Bank, National Association and JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Co-Documentation Agents, and the lending institutions identified in such Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, which was set to expire October 29, 2009. In addition to the Amendment, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries have and in the future may from time to time engage in ordinary course banking and financial activities with some of the lenders party to the Amendment (or their affiliates) and pay fees to such persons. Similarly, as described in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2005, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries have in the past entered and may enter into foreign currency and interest rate hedging arrangements with counterparties. Existing counterparties include and future counterparties may include one or more of the lenders party to the Amendment (or their affiliates). Lastly, affiliates of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ Trust Company are the managing agents under the Company s receivables securitization agreement.

The Amendment contains a revolving loan feature that permits the Company to borrow and repay, and reborrow and repay, certain ABR Loans and/or Multicurrency Loans (based on euros, British Pounds Sterling, Canadian dollars and Japanese Yen subject to multicurrency borrowing limitations based on such loans respective U.S. Dollar equivalents) at the Company s option. The Amendment also permits the Company to borrow in the form of swingline loans (comparatively short-term cash borrowings), Competitive Loans (of eurodollar based rates or fixed interest rates subject to agreement between the Company and applicable lenders), as well as issue letters of credit.

The \$500 million borrowing capacity under the Amendment has sublimits as follows: \$50 million in standby and trade letters of credit, \$80 million for swingline loans, \$20 million for euro swingline loans and \$300 million for multicurrency borrowing. The sublimit as to foreign borrowers is set at \$100 million at any time for any foreign borrower and the aggregate limit for all foreign borrowers shall not exceed \$200 million at any one time. Further, the borrowing capacity under the Amendment could be increased to up to \$750 million at the Company s request if the existing lenders agree to increase their commitments or if the Company adds additional lenders. All borrowings may be prepaid without penalty by the Company under certain circumstances, and all outstanding principal and accrued but unpaid interest must be repaid not later than the Termination Date of March 21, 2011, or earlier upon the occurrence of an event of default or in compliance with the applicable repayment or termination provisions of each borrowing feature provided for in the Amendment.

The Amendment also contains various affirmative and negative covenants, among other terms and conditions, including financial covenants that require that the Company maintain on a rolling four quarter basis (1) a Consolidated Leverage Ratio of not more than 3.5:1 and (2) a Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio of not less than 3.5:1.

In connection with the Amendment, the Company has agreed to pay specified facilities fees, which will vary on a percentage basis pursuant to a Pricing Grid set forth in the Amendment depending on the Company s then applicable Consolidated Leverage Ratio or Debt Rating, and fees related to standby and trade letters of credit, in addition to interest accruing on borrowings.

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Under the Amendment, Company borrowings will bear interest as follows:

- 1. ABR Loans A rate equal to the greater of (a) Bank of America, N.A. s announced prime rate in effect on such day and (b) the applicable federal funds rate in effect on such day plus 0.50%.
- 2. Multicurrency Loans A Eurocurrency Rate plus the Eurocurrency Applicable Margin as set forth in the Pricing Grid.
- 3. Competitive Loans Competitive Loans will be at fixed rates, as negotiated by the Company and any relevant lender.
- 4. Swingline Loans At the Company's option, at (a) the Eurocurrency Loan Rate or (b) at Bank of America, N.A. s cost of such funds, plus in either case the Swingline Applicable Margin provided for in the Pricing Grid.
- 5. Euro Swingline Loans At the Quoted Rate plus the Swingline Applicable Margin as set forth in the Pricing Grid.
- 6. Letters of Credit At the applicable fee rate with respect to the type of letter of credit as set forth in the Pricing Grid.

The applicable margins and rates depend upon the Consolidated Leverage Ratio or the Debt Rating in effect at the time of such borrowing set forth in the Pricing Grid.

Certain significant domestic subsidiaries of the Company have, pursuant to the Amendment, entered into a guarantee agreement for the benefit of the Lenders, pursuant to which such guarantor-subsidiaries have irrevocably guaranteed the payment and performance of the Company s obligations under the Amendment. The Company has also guaranteed the payment and performance of the foreign borrower(s) under the Amendment as a means of realizing identical terms and conditions for the foreign borrower(s).

The Amendment also contains customary events of default, including a cross-default to certain other debt obligations of the Company and certain subsidiaries thereof, any subsidiary guarantee (discussed above) ceasing to be effective (subject to certain exclusions), breaches of representations and warranties, change of control events, bankruptcy and breaches of covenants. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, under certain circumstances, the obligations of the Company under the Amendment may become due and payable immediately either automatically or following an action taken by the Administrative Agent.

The foregoing description of the Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information set forth above in Item 1.01 with respect to the Amendment is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits.
- 10.1 Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of March 21, 2006 among Kennametal Inc., Kennametal Europe GmbH, Bank of America, N.A. (as Administrative Agent); Keybank National Association and National City Bank of Pennsylvania (as Co-Syndication Agents); PNC Bank, National Association and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (as Co-Documentation Agents); and the following lenders: Bank of America, N.A., Bank of America, N.A., London Branch, Keybank National Association, National City Bank of Pennsylvania, PNC Bank, National Association, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ Trust Company, Citizens Bank of Pennsylvania, Comerica Bank, The Bank of New York, Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd., Fifth

Third Bank, LaSalle Bank National Association, Sanpaolo IMI and Chiao Tung Bank Co., Ltd. Filed herewith.

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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.

Kennametal Inc.

Date: March 27, 2006 By: /s/ David W. Greenfield

David W. Greenfield Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

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Exhibit No. Description

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