

ENCORE ACQUISITION CO  
Form 8-K  
May 22, 2008

**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 (Date of earliest event reported): May 21, 2008**

**ENCORE ACQUISITION COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**001-16295**

**75-2759650**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**777 Main Street, Suite 1400, Fort Worth, Texas**

**76102**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(817) 877-9955**

**Not applicable**

(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))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On May 21, 2008, Encore Acquisition Company (the Company ) announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the Company's management team to explore a broad range of strategic alternatives to further enhance shareholder value, including, but not limited to, a sale or merger of the Company. Lehman Brothers Inc. has been engaged as the Company's financial advisor in this process.

There is no assurance that the review of strategic alternatives will result in the Company changing its current business plan, pursuing a particular transaction or completing any such transaction. The Company does not expect to update the market with any further information on the process unless and until its Board of Directors has approved a specific transaction or otherwise deems disclosure appropriate.

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**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.

**ENCORE ACQUISITION COMPANY**

Date: May 21, 2008

By: /s/ Robert C. Reeves  
Robert C. Reeves  
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer, Treasurer and Corporate  
Secretary