

POTLATCH CORP
Form 8-K
January 11, 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: January 10, 2008

(Date of earliest event reported)

POTLATCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

001-32729
(Commission

File Number)

82-0156045
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification Number)

601 W. First Avenue, Suite 1600, Spokane WA
(Address of principal executive offices)

509-835-1500

99201
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets

On September 12, 2007, Potlatch Corporation (the Company) announced a transaction with Western Pacific Timber, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company (the Seller), for the purchase of approximately 179,000 acres of timberland located in the central region of the state of Idaho (the Timberland). On September 19, 2007, Potlatch Forest Holdings, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (Potlatch Forest Holdings), directly or through affiliates, completed the acquisition of approximately 145,000 acres of the Timberland for approximately \$163,000,000 in the first closing of the transaction. On January 10, 2008, Potlatch Forest Holdings directly or through affiliates, completed the acquisition of approximately 34,000 acres of the Timberland for approximately \$51,400,000 in the second closing of the transaction. The acquisition was financed through the Company s existing bank credit facility and cash on hand.

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

In connection with the completion of the second closing of the acquisition discussed above, Potlatch Forest Holdings borrowed approximately \$27,300,000 under the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Facility) among the Company, Potlatch Forest Holdings and Potlatch Forest Products Corporation and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent and several lenders party thereto. The aggregate principal amount available under the Credit Facility, prior to the borrowing by Potlatch Forest Holdings, was approximately \$140,000,000. The loan under the Credit Facility currently bears interest at LIBOR plus 1.125%. Several factors determine payments, interest and maturity terms under the Credit Facility, which are outlined in the Credit Facility, a copy of which was filed as Exhibit 10(o) to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by the Company s former parent corporation on December 27, 2005, and amendments thereto filed as Exhibits 10(o)(i) and 10(o)(ii) to the Company s Form 10-Q, filed on October 29, 2007. Material terms of the Credit Facility are also discussed in the Liquidity and Capital Resources discussion in the Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section of the Company s 2006 Form 10-K.

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.

Dated: January 11, 2008

POTLATCH CORPORATION

By: /s/ Michael S. Gadd
Michael S. Gadd
Corporate Secretary