BOWATER INC Form 8-K September 12, 2007

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) September 7, 2007

BOWATER INCORPORATED

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-8712 (Commission File Number) 62-0721803 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

Identification No.)

55 East Camperdown Way, Greenville, South Carolina (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

29602

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (864) 271-7733

Not Applicable

(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))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 12, 2007, Bowater Incorporated issued a news release announcing that its subsidiary Bowater Canadian Forest Products Inc. received an arbitration decision relating to an environmental claim associated with a pulp and paper facility sold by Bowater in 1998. The decision awarded the buyer of the facility approximately C\$ 44 million. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release issued September 12, 2007

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

BOWATER INCORPORATED

By: /s/ James T. Wright Name: James T. Wright

Title: Executive Vice President

Dated: September 12, 2007

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit99.1 Press release issued September 12, 2007