

COMMERCE GROUP INC /MA
Form 8-K
May 18, 2007

**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 18, 2007

THE COMMERCE GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-13672

(Commission File Number)

04-2599931

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

211 Main Street, Webster, Massachusetts 01570

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(508) 943-9000**

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 (see General Instruction A.2 below):

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Section 8. Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events

On May 18, 2007, The Commerce Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing an amended stock repurchase program. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The amended stock repurchase program increased the authorized amount of shares eligible for repurchase to 5 million. Since November 16, 2006, the date of the previously announced buyback authorization, the Company repurchased approximately 2.9 million shares, which left approximately 2.1 million shares eligible to be repurchased. As a result, the amended program authorized an additional 2.9 million shares for repurchase.

Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated May 18, 2007

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.

THE COMMERCE GROUP, INC.
May 18, 2007

By: /s/ Randall V. Becker

Randall V. Becker
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer