

MATERIAL SCIENCES CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 04, 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): February 4, 2008**

**MATERIAL SCIENCES CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

**1-8803**  
(Commission File Number)

**95-2673173**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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**2200 East Pratt Boulevard**

**Elk Grove Village, Illinois**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**60007**  
(Zip Code)

**(847) 439-2210**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)**

**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))

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

1. On February 4, 2008, Material Sciences Corporation (the Company) entered into a written trading plan with First Analysis Corporation (First Analysis) under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as part of the Company's existing share repurchase program. The Rule 10b5-1 share purchases by First Analysis are expected to commence on February 6, 2008.

The Company has previously repurchased approximately 580,000 shares under the existing share repurchase programs, which were originally announced on February 8, 2006 and January 7, 2008.

2. As previously disclosed in the Company's Form 10-K, as part of the Company's strategic planning process, management evaluates the strategic position, growth, and economic value potential of the Company's businesses with the objective of creating additional value for the Company's shareowners. As a result of this process, the Company has determined to explore strategic alternatives with respect to its manufacturing facility in Morrisville, Pennsylvania, including continuing operation, a possible joint venture, strategic alliance or sale of the facility.

**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.

MATERIAL SCIENCES CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: February 4, 2008

By: /s/ James M. Froisland  
Name: James M. Froisland  
Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Chief

Information Officer and Corporate Secretary.