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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) January 8, 2008 E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 1-815 51-0014090
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

Wilmington, Delaware 19898

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (302) 774-1000

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Item 2.06 Material Impairments

On January 8, 2008, the company recorded an impairment charge of \$165 million (\$135 million after-tax) in the fourth quarter 2007. The impairment charge is to write down the company s investment in a polyester films joint venture in the Performance Materials segment. Also, the company recorded on its financial statements certain venture cash obligations which the company had previously guaranteed. The impairment resulted from several factors, including adverse changes in market conditions and the rapid rise in oil-related raw materials costs, which have had a negative impact on the profitability of the venture s operations in North America and Europe.

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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.

E. I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY

(Registrant)

/s/ Barry J. Niziolek Barry J. Niziolek Vice President and Controller

January 9, 2008