HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC 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): January 31, 2008

# HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	1-8551	22-1851059
(State or Other	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer
Jurisdiction		Identification No.)
of Incorporation)		

110 West Front Street
P.O. Box 500
Red Bank, New Jersey 07701
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(732) 747-7800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### **Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

In connection with a requested amendment to its Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement), Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. (Hovnanian) obtained waivers of compliance, effective January 31, 2008, with the Consolidated Tangible Net Worth, Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio and Leverage Ratio covenants under the Credit Agreement. The waivers will expire on the earlier of the date on which amendments to such covenants are agreed to or March 14, 2008. Although there can be no assurances, Hovnanian believes it will have entered into an amended Credit Agreement prior to the expiration of the waivers. A discussion of the Credit Agreement is included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2007.

#### **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.

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ J. Larry Sorsby

Name: J. Larry Sorsby

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

Date: February 4, 2008

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