

INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/

Form 8-K

October 07, 2005

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: October 7, 2005

Date of Earliest Event Reported: October 4, 2005

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW YORK
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-3157
(Commission File Number)

13-0872805
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

400 Atlantic Street

Stamford, Connecticut 06921

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

(203) 541-8000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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 2.01 COMPLETION OF ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF ASSETS

On October 4, 2005, International Paper Company (the Company) announced it had completed the acquisition of a majority share of Compagnie Marocaine des Cartons et des Papiers (CMCP), a leading Moroccan corrugated packaging company. The Company had previously announced that it had signed an agreement to acquire approximately 65 percent of CMCP for approximately \$80 million cash plus assumed debt of approximately \$40 million.

A copy of the Company's press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release of International Paper Company dated October 4, 2005.

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.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Andrea L. Dulberg

Name: Andrea L. Dulberg
Title: Assistant Secretary

Date: October 7, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 99.1: Press Release of International Paper Company, dated October 4, 2005.