COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO Form 8-K February 28, 2007

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 28, 2007 COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-04329 34-4297750

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio 45840

(Address of Principal Executive (Zip Code)

Offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (419) 423-1321

Not Applicable

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

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### Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On February 28, 2007, the Board of Directors (the *Board*) of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, a Delaware corporation (the *Company*), adopted, effective as of February 28, 2007, certain amended and restated Bylaws for the Company (the *Revised Bylaws*).

Apart from non-substantive language and conforming changes and other technical and cross-reference edits, the Bylaws of the Company (which were last amended effective as of May 1, 2006) were amended and restated by the Company to implement a majority voting standard in connection with the stockholders election of Directors of the Company. Such changes include:

- (i) eliminating references to the election of directors by a plurality vote, except in the case of a contested election;
- (ii) requiring stockholder-nominated director nominees to represent and agree that they will, if elected as a director of the Company, abide by the majority voting and resignation requirements (described below) contained in the Revised Bylaws and the Company s governance guidelines;
- (iii) requiring directors to be elected by the vote of the majority of the votes cast by stockholders at a meeting for the election of directors at which a quorum is present, except in the case of a contested election;
- (iv) requiring directors who are not reelected by a majority of votes to tender a resignation to the Company, which resignation will be considered by the Nominating and Governance Committee for acceptance;
- (v) requiring the Company to publicly disclose its decision whether to accept the director s resignation and, if applicable, the reasons for rejecting the tendered resignation;
- (vi) setting forth the consequences of the Company s acceptance or rejection of the tendered resignation; and
- (vii) allowing for conditional and irrevocable resignations.

The Company intends to make corresponding changes to its governance guidelines. The foregoing is a brief description of the material amendments to the Company s Bylaws and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Revised Bylaws. This description should be read in conjunction with the Company s Revised Bylaws, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Number Exhibit
3.1 Eylaws of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (As Amended as of February 28, 2007)

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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.

## COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

By: /s/ James E. Kline

Name: James E. Kline

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

Date: February 28, 2007

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