

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP

Form 8-K

April 20, 2007

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):

April 20, 2007

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania

0-9115

25-0644320

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
Identification No.)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer

Two NorthShore Center, Pittsburgh, PA

15212-5851

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(412) 442-8200

Item 8.01 Other Events

On April 20, 2007, Matthews International Corporation issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors approved the continuation of its stock repurchase program and increased the total authorization for stock repurchases by an additional two million five hundred thousand shares. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release, dated April 20, 2007, issued by Matthews International Corporation.

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.

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By Steven F. Nicola

Steven F. Nicola
Chief Financial Officer,
Secretary and Treasurer

Date: April 20, 2007