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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): <u>July 24, 2007</u>

| <u>EATON VANCE COR</u>                         | <u>P.</u>                |                                   |
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| (Exact name of registrant as specified         | l in its charter)        |                                   |
| <u>Maryland</u>                                | 1-8100                   | 04-2718215                        |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 255 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts        |                          | 02109                             |
| (Address of principal executive offices)       |                          | (Zip Code)                        |

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (617) 482-8260

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):

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- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d -2(b))
- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e -4(c))

# INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE REPORT <a href="Item 3.02">Item 3.02</a> Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities

On July 24, 2007, the Registrant sold 98,742 shares of its voting Common Stock (Shares) in a private transaction to a small number of officers of the Registrant or Eaton Vance Management for aggregate cash consideration of \$388,056.06.

The Registrant claims an exemption from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ( Act ) in reliance upon Section 4(2) of the Act. The purchasers of the Shares immediately deposited the Shares in a voting trust ( Voting Trust ) and received voting trust receipts ( Receipts ) therefore. All of the shares of other outstanding voting Common Stock have also been deposited in the Voting Trust, and all of the 18 holders of such Common Stock and of the Shares are employees of the Registrant or its subsidiaries and are trustees under the Voting Trust. Under Article Seventh of the Registrant s Articles of Incorporation, as amended, voting Common Stock (including the Shares) may not be transferred without first being offered for sale to the Registrant at book value, and upon a Shareholder s death or cessation as an employee of the Registrant or any of its subsidiaries, the Common Stock must be offered for sale to the Registrant at book value. The Receipts may not be transferred without the consent of a majority of the Voting Trust s trustees, and upon a Receipt holder s death or cessation as an employee of the Registrant or any of its subsidiaries, the Shares represented by his or her Receipts may be purchased by the Registrant at book value.

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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.

EATON VANCE CORP.

(Registrant)

Date: July 26, 2007 /s/ William M. Steul

William M. Steul, Chief Financial Officer