

**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):
May 19, 2008

CHEMED CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-8351
(Commission File Number)

31-0791746
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification
Number)

2600 Chemed Center, 255 East 5th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:
(513) 762-6900

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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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))

On May 20, 2008 Chemed Corporation issued a press release announcing that on May 19, 2008 its Board of Directors increased the authorization of Chemed's share repurchase program to provide for \$100 million of future share repurchases. These will be funded through a combination of cash on hand, cash generated from operations as well as utilization of its revolving credit facility. A copy of the release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

d) Exhibit

(99) Registrant's press release dated May 20, 2008

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHEMED CORPORATION

Dated: May 20, 2008

By: /s/ Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.
Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.
Vice President and Controller

Chemed Corporation's Board of Directors Authorizes \$100 Million Stock Repurchase Program

CINCINNATI--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Chemed Corporation (NYSE:CHE) today announced that the Board of Directors has increased the authorization of Chemed's share repurchase program to provide for up to \$100 million of future share repurchases. This will be funded through a combination of cash on hand, cash generated from operations as well as utilization of its revolving credit facility. The timing and the amount of any repurchase of shares will be determined by Company management based on its evaluation of market conditions and other factors.

Listed on the New York Stock Exchange and headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, Chemed Corporation (www.chemed.com) operates two wholly owned subsidiaries: VITAS Healthcare and Roto-Rooter. VITAS is the nation's largest provider of end-of-life hospice care and Roto-Rooter is the nation's leading provider of plumbing and drain cleaning services.

Statements in this press release or in other Chemed communications may relate to future events or Chemed's future performance. Such statements are forward-looking statements and are based on present information Chemed has related to its existing business circumstances. Investors are cautioned that such forward-looking statements are subject to inherent risk and that actual results may differ materially from such forward-looking statements. Further, investors are cautioned that Chemed does not assume any obligation to update forward-looking statements based on unanticipated events or changed expectations.

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