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): July 27, 2006

CHEMED CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-835131-0791746(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)(Commission File Number)
Identification
Number)(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):

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 under Exchange Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- [_] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4 (c) under Exchange Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Item 8.01 Other Items

On July 27, 2006, the registrant announced it is in the process of finalizing a \$50 million ongoing share repurchase program. In addition, the Company announced it intends to fully utilize the remaining \$8 million from its February 2000 share repurchase program. A copy of the release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

c) Exhibit
 (99) Registrant's press release dated
 July 27, 2006

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: July 27, 2006

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

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Chemed Corporation Announces Stock Repurchase Program

CINCINNATI--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 27, 2006--Chemed Corporation (NYSE:CHE) today announced that it is in the process of establishing a \$50 million ongoing share repurchase program. In addition, the Company announced it intends to fully utilize the remaining \$8 million from its February 2000 share repurchase program. These share repurchases will be funded through a combination of 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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