

ENCORE ACQUISITION CO

Form 8-K

January 03, 2008

**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): December 27, 2007  
ENCORE ACQUISITION COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-16295**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**75-2759650**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**777 Main Street, Suite 1400, Fort Worth, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**76102**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(817) 877-9955**

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 27, 2007, Encore Operating, L.P. ( Encore Operating ), a wholly owned subsidiary of Encore Acquisition Company (the Company ), entered into a Purchase and Investment Agreement (the Purchase Agreement ) with Encore Energy Partners Operating LLC ( OLLC ), a wholly owned subsidiary of Encore Energy Partners LP ( ENP ). The Purchase Agreement provides for the sale by Encore Operating of certain oil and natural gas producing properties and related assets in the Permian and Williston Basins to OLLC. The transaction, which is subject to customary closing conditions and adjustments, is expected to close in January 2008.

The consideration for the sale will consist of \$125,000,000 in cash and 6,884,776 common units representing limited partner interests in ENP.

Each of the parties to the Purchase Agreement is a direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company. As a result, certain officers of the Company serve as officers and/or directors of more than one of such entities. After the transaction, the Company and its affiliates, including Encore Operating, will own approximately 20.92 million of ENP s outstanding common units, or approximately 67 percent. The Company, through its indirect ownership of ENP s general partner, also holds 504,851 general partner units in ENP.

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

**ENCORE ACQUISITION COMPANY**

Date: January 3, 2008

By: /s/ Robert C. Reeves  
Robert C. Reeves  
*Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and  
Treasurer*