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 26, 2006

NEWPORT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-01649 (Commission File Number) 94-0849175 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1791 Deere Avenue, Irvine, California (Address of principal executive offices) 92606 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (949) 863-3144

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:

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

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 26, 2006, Newport Corporation (the Registrant) announced its financial results for the second quarter ended July 1, 2006, and its business outlook for the third quarter and full year 2006. The press release issued by the Registrant in connection with the announcement is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

This information shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing by the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as may be set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 26, 2006 (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and not deemed filed).

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.

July 26, 2006

NEWPORT CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jeffrey B. Coyne Jeffrey B. Coyne Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Corporate Secretary

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