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February 28, 2007

U.S. 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) February 28, 2007

GREATBATCH, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-16137

16-1531026

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

9645 Wehrle Drive, Clarence, New York

14031

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (716) 759-5600

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On February 28, 2007, Greatbatch, Inc. (the "Company") issued a joint press release with St. Jude Medical, Inc. announcing that both parties have entered into an amended supplier partnering agreement. This amendment becomes effective March 1, 2007, extends the current agreement through 2013 and establishes Greatbatch as the exclusive supplier of battery technology and the critical supplier of filtered feedthrough technology to St. Jude Medical. Additionally, the amendment provides for year over year price reductions on both technologies through collaboration on manufacturing and supply chain efficiencies. The parties have also agreed to jointly develop new technologies, including the introduction of a new low cost power solution to support future market requirements with an implementation date of no later than 2009.

The Company intends to file a copy of the agreement with its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 30, 2007.

A copy of the release is furnished with this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated February 28, 2007.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: February 28, 2007

GREATBATCH, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas J. Mazza

Thomas J. Mazza
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT
NUMBER

DESCRIPTION

99.1 Press Release of Greatbatch, Inc. dated February 28, 2007.