

CREE INC  
Form 8-K  
June 22, 2006

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**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): June 20, 2006**

**CREE, INC.**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**North Carolina**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation)**

**0-21154**  
**(Commission File**  
**Number)**

**56-1572719**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification Number)**

**4600 Silicon Drive**  
**Durham, North Carolina**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**27703**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(919) 313-5300**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code**

**N/A**  
**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

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 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))

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**Item Other Events**

**8.01**

On June 20, 2006, the board of directors of Cree, Inc. (the "Company") approved the extension of the Company's stock repurchase program through June 24, 2007. Under the stock repurchase program authorized on April 27, 2005, the Company had been authorized to repurchase up to 5,450,000 shares of common stock. As of June 20, 2006, 5,450,000 shares remain available for purchase under the repurchase program. The Company expects to use available cash to finance purchases under the program. The repurchase program can be implemented through open market or privately negotiated transactions at the discretion of the Company's management. The Company will continue to determine the time and extent of any repurchases based on its evaluation of market conditions and other factors.

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements involving risks and uncertainties, both known and unknown, that may cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated. Actual results may differ materially due to a number of factors, including fluctuations in the market price of the Company's common stock and other market conditions, the difficulty of predicting the Company's future cash needs which may turn out to be different from what the Company expects, the nature of other investment opportunities available to the Company from time to time, the Company's cash flow from operations and other factors discussed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 26, 2005, and subsequent filings.

**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.

CREE, INC.

By: */s/ Charles M. Swoboda*  
Charles M. Swoboda  
Chairman, Chief  
Executive Officer and  
President

Dated: June 22, 2006

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