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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) February 17, 2005

**eSpeed, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State of other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

0-28191  
(Commission  
File Number)

13-4063515  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

135 East 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10022  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 212-938-5000

N/A  
(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 8.01. OPTIONAL OTHER EVENTS

On February 17, 2005, eSpeed, Inc. (the "Registrant") issued a press release announcing the filing of a purported class action complaint against the Registrant. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 eSpeed, Inc. press release dated February 17, 2005.

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.

Date: February 17, 2005

eSpeed, Inc.

By: /s/ Kevin Foley  
Kevin Foley  
President

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