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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): May 8, 2006

GARTNER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-14443 (Commission File Number) P.O. Box 10212 04-3099750 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

56 Top Gallant Road Stamford, CT 06902-7747

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(203) 316-1111

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On May 8, 2006, Gartner, Inc. ("Gartner" or the "Company") entered into an agreement (the "Silver Lake Stock Purchase Agreement") with Silver Lake Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, Silver Lake Investors, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and Silver Lake Technology Investors, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company (collectively, "Silver Lake") pursuant to which the Company agreed to purchase an aggregate of 1,000,000 shares of common stock from Silver Lake at the initial price to the public to be received in a proposed underwritten secondary offering of Gartner's common stock by Silver Lake, less the applicable underwriting discount. This purchase is conditioned on the sale of at least 9,500,000 shares by Silver Lake in the offering and will occur following the closing of the offering.

The Form of the Silver Lake Stock Purchase Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d)

Exhibits

10.1 Stock Purchase Agreement, dated May 8, 2006, by and between Gartner and Silver Lake

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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.

	Gartner,	Gartner, Inc.	
Date: May 9, 2006	By:	/s/ LEWIS G. SCHWARTZ	
		Lewis G. Schwartz Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel	

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