LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS, INC. Form 8-K

May 24, 2007

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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 24, 2007 (May 21, 2007) LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-51251 20-1538254
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

103 Powell Court, Suite 200 Brentwood, Tennessee (Address of principal executive offices)

37027

(Zip Code)

(615) 372-8500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o 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 May 22, 2007, LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), entered into an underwriting agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) with Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as representative of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule II thereto (collectively, the Underwriters) to issue and sell \$500 million aggregate principal amount of 3.5% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2014 (the Convertible Notes) in a public offering pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the Registration Statement) and a related prospectus (the Prospectus) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, the Company granted the Underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional \$75 million aggregate principal amount of Convertible Notes to cover over-allotments. The Company estimates that the net proceeds from the offering will be approximately \$487.5 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses. The Underwriting Agreement is filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

In connection with the offering, effective May 21, 2007, the Company entered into an Amendment No. 5 (the Amendment No. 5), dated as of May 11, 2007, with the lenders party thereto and Citicorp North America, Inc., as administrative agent for the lenders (the Administrative Agent), to the Credit Agreement dated as of April 15, 2005, by and among the Company, the Administrative Agent, the lenders referred to therein, Bank of America, N.A., CIBC World Markets Corp., SunTrust Bank, UBS Securities LLC, as co-syndication agents and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as sole lead arranger and sole bookrunner (as amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the Credit Agreement). The Amendment No. 5 provides for, among other things, exceptions to the negative covenants contained in the Credit Agreement in order to permit additional convertible debt to be issued by the Company. The Amendment No. 5 is filed as Exhibit 10.6 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The summary of the foregoing transactions is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the related agreements, which are included as exhibits hereto and are incorporated herein by reference. Item 9.01. Exhibits.

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of May 22, 2007, by and between LifePoint Hospitals, Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as representative of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule II thereto.
- 5.1 Opinion of Dewey Ballantine LLP regarding the legality of the Convertible Notes.
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- 10.2 Incremental Facility Amendment dated August 23, 2005 among LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., as borrower, Citicorp North America, Inc., as administrative agent and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., dated August 23, 2005).
- 10.3 Amendment No. 2 to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 14, 2005 among LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., as borrower, Citicorp North America, Inc., as administrative agent and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., dated October 18, 2005).
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- 10.4 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., dated June 30, 2006).
- 10.5 Incremental Facility Amendment No. 4 to the Credit Agreement, dated September 8, 2006 among LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., as borrower, Citicorp North America, Inc., as administrative agent and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., dated September 12, 2006).
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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.

LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS, INC.

By: /s/ Paul D. Gilbert Name: Paul D. Gilbert

Title: Senior Vice President and General

Counsel

Date: May 24, 2007

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