

COHERENT INC
Form 8-K
March 19, 2008

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): **March 18, 2008**

COHERENT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-33962
(Commission File No.)

94-1622541
(IRS Employer Identification
Number)

5100 Patrick Henry Drive

Santa Clara, CA 95054

(Address of principal executive offices)

(408) 764-4000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 OTHER EVENTS

On March 18, 2008, Coherent, Inc. issued a press release announcing the preliminary results of its modified Dutch Auction tender offer. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

The following is furnished as an exhibit to this report:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated March 18, 2008, announcing preliminary results of modified Dutch Auction tender offer.

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: March 19, 2008

COHERENT, INC.

By: */s/ Bret M. DiMarco*
Bret M. DiMarco
Executive Vice President and
General Counsel

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