COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO Form 8-K May 09, 2005

### 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): May 9, 2005

#### **COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-04329 34-4297750

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio 45840

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (419) 423-1321

#### 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.):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 9, 2005, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company issued a press release announcing that it has commenced a fixed spread tender offer to purchase for cash any and all of the \$350 million aggregate principal amount outstanding of its  $7^{3}/4\%$  Notes due 2009. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Number Exhibit

#### **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.

#### COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

By: /s/ James E. Kline

Name: James E. Kline

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: May 9, 2005

## **INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

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