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FORM 6-K SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

(Address of principal executive offices)
[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Form 40-F o

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes o
No þ

[If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82-______

30-2, Shimomaruko 3-Chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 146-8501, Japan

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

CANON INC.

(Registrant)

Date March 26, 2007 By: /s/ Hiroshi Kawashimo.

(Signature)*

Hiroshi Kawashimo

General Manager, Finance Division

Canon Inc.

The following materials are included.

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^{*}Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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Canon Inc.

Chairman & CEO: Fujio Mitarai

Securities code: 7751

[Tokyo (First section) and other Stock Exchanges]

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Notice Regarding Market Purchase of Own Shares and Completion of Acquisition

(Under the provisions of its Articles of Incorporation pursuant to paragraph 2, Article 165, of the Corporation Law of Japan)

Today, Canon Inc. (the Company) announced that it has acquired its own shares as follows, under Article 156, as applied pursuant to paragraph 3, Article 165, of the Corporation Law, and that it has completed the acquisition resolved at its Board of Directors meeting held on March 8, 2007.

Details of acquisition

Type of shares acquired:
 Total number of shares acquired:
 Total cost of acquisition:
 Shares of common stock
 15,742,200 shares
 99,999,909,000 yen

4. Period of acquisition: From March 9, 2007 to March 23, 2007
5. Method of acquisition: Purchased on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

(Reference)

Details of acquisition as resolved at the Board of Directors meeting held on March 8, 2007

Type of shares to be acquired:
 Total number of shares to be acquired:
 Up to 17 million shares

(Equivalent to 1.3% of outstanding shares)

3. Total cost of acquisition: Up to 100 billion yen

4. Period of acquisition: From March 9, 2007 to April 9, 2007