

GENERAL CABLE CORP /DE/

Form 8-K

November 26, 2008

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**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): November 26, 2008
General Cable Corporation
(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 001-12983 (Commission File Number) | 06-1398235 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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4 Tesseneer Drive, Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076-9753
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(859) 572-8000**

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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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On November 24, 2008, General Cable Corporation (the Company) adopted a written trading plan under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). The Company implemented this written trading plan in connection with its share repurchase program, which was authorized by the Company's Board of Directors and announced on October 29, 2008. Adopting this trading plan, which satisfies the conditions of Rule 10b5-1, allows the Company to repurchase its shares at times when it might otherwise be prevented from doing so due to self-imposed trading blackout periods or pursuant to insider trading laws. A broker selected by the Company will have the authority under the terms and limitations specified in the plan to repurchase shares on the Company's behalf in accordance with the terms of the plan. After the expiration of the current trading plan, the Company may from time to time enter into subsequent trading plans under Rule 10b5-1 to facilitate the repurchase of its common stock pursuant to its share repurchase program.

Following the announcement of the authorization of the share repurchase program, the Company made various discretionary repurchases of its shares in open-market transactions. In addition, the Company expects to continue making discretionary repurchases in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions from time to time. The timing and volume of any such share repurchases will be at the discretion of the Company. Information regarding share repurchases will be available in the Company's periodic reports on Form 10-Q and 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as required by the applicable rules of the Exchange Act.

This report contains forward-looking information, as that term is defined under the Exchange Act, including information regarding purchases by the Company of its common stock pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan. By their nature, forward-looking information and statements are subject to risks, uncertainties, and contingencies, including changes in price and volume and the volatility of the company's common stock; adverse developments affecting either or both of prices and trading of exchange-traded securities, including securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange; and unexpected or otherwise unplanned or alternative requirements with respect to the capital investments of the Company. The Company's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K includes information regarding other risk factors and cautionary information, which may be updated from time to time in the Company's periodic reports. The Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statements or information, including those contained in this report.

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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.

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION

November 26, 2008

/s/ Robert J. Siverd
Robert J. Siverd
Executive Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary