GAYLORD ENTERTAINMENT CO /DE Form 8-K July 30, 2008

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): July 30, 2008 (July 25, 2008) GAYLORD ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-13079 73-0664379

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation)

Identification No.)

One Gaylord Drive

Nashville, Tennessee 37214

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (615) 316-6000

(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))

ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On July 25, 2008, Gaylord Entertainment Company (the Company) refinanced its credit facilities by entering into a Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Facility) by and among the Company, certain subsidiaries of the Company party thereto, as guarantors, the lenders party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent. The \$1.0 billion Credit Facility represents a refinancing of the Company s existing \$1.0 billion credit facility.

The Credit Facility consists of the following components: (a) a \$300.0 million senior secured revolving credit facility, which includes a \$50.0 million letter of credit sublimit and a \$30.0 million sublimit for swingline loans, and (b) a \$700.0 million senior secured term loan facility. The term loan facility was fully funded at closing. The Credit Facility also includes an accordion feature that will allow the Company, on a one-time basis, to increase the Credit Facility by a total of up to \$400.0 million, subject to securing additional commitments from existing lenders or new lending institutions. The revolving loan, letters of credit and term loan mature on July 25, 2012. At the Company s election, the revolving loans and the term loans will bear interest at an annual rate of LIBOR plus 2.50% or a base rate (the higher of the lead bank s prime rate and the federal funds rate) plus 0.50%. Interest on the Company s borrowings is payable quarterly, in arrears, for base rate loans and at the end of each interest rate period for LIBOR rate-based loans. Principal is payable in full at maturity. The Company is required to pay a commitment fee of 0.25% per year of the average unused portion of the Credit Facility.

The purpose of the Credit Facility is for working capital, capital expenditures, the financing of the remaining costs and expenses related to the construction of the Gaylord National hotel, and other corporate purposes.

The Credit Facility is (i) secured by a first mortgage and lien on the real property and related personal and intellectual property of the Company s Gaylord Opryland hotel, Gaylord Texan hotel, Gaylord Palms hotel and Gaylord National hotel, and pledges of equity interests in the entities that own such properties and (ii) guaranteed by each of the four wholly owned subsidiaries that own the four hotels. Advances are subject to a 55% borrowing base, based on the appraisal value of the hotel properties (reduced to 50% in the event a hotel property is sold).

In addition, the Credit Facility contains certain covenants which, among other things, limit the incurrence of additional indebtedness, investments, dividends, transactions with affiliates, asset sales, acquisitions, mergers and consolidations, liens and encumbrances and other matters customarily restricted in such agreements. The material financial covenants, ratios or tests contained in the Credit Facility are as follows:

The Company must maintain a consolidated funded indebtedness to total asset value ratio as of the end of each calendar quarter of not more than 65%.

The Company must maintain a consolidated tangible net worth of not less than the sum of \$600.0 million, increased on a cumulative basis as of the end of each calendar quarter, commencing with the calendar quarter ending March 31, 2005, by an amount equal to (i) 75% of consolidated net income (to the extent positive) for the calendar quarter then ended, plus (ii) 75% of the proceeds received by the Company or any of the Company s subsidiaries in connection with any equity issuance.

The Company must maintain a minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio of not less than 2.00 to 1.00.

The Company must maintain an implied debt service coverage ratio (the ratio of adjusted net operating income to monthly principal and interest that would be required if the outstanding balance were amortized over 25 years at an assumed fixed rate) of not less than 1.60 to 1.00.

If an event of default shall occur and be continuing under the Credit Facility, the commitments under the Credit Facility may be terminated and the principal amount outstanding under the Credit Facility, together with all accrued unpaid interest and other amounts owing in respect thereof, may be declared immediately due and payable.

Certain of the lenders under the Credit Facility or their affiliates have provided, and may in the future provide, certain commercial banking, financial advisory, and investment banking services in the ordinary course of business for the Company, its subsidiaries and certain of its affiliates, for which they receive customary fees and commissions.

The foregoing description of the Credit Facility does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Credit Facility, which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 10.1</u>.

ITEM 2.03. CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANCIAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT.

The information under Item 1.01 above is incorporated by reference hereunder.

ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD.

On July 28, 2008, the Company issued a press release which announced entering into the Credit Facility. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as <u>Exhibit 99.1</u>.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 10.1 Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of July 25, 2008, by and among the Company, certain subsidiaries of the Company party thereto, as guarantors, the lenders party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent.
 - 99.1 Press Release of Gaylord Entertainment Company dated July 28, 2008.

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.

GAYLORD ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY

Date: July 30, 2008 By: /s/ Carter R. Todd

Name: Carter R. Todd

Title: Senior Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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