

STERLING CHEMICALS INC

Form 8-K

May 07, 2007

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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 7, 2007 (May 1, 2007)  
STERLING CHEMICALS, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**000-50132**  
(Commission File No.)

**76-0502785**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**333 Clay Street, Suite 3600**  
**Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77002-4109**  
(Zip Code)

**(713) 650-3700**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**  
(Former names 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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**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On May 1, 2007, Sterling Chemicals, Inc. (*Sterling* ) entered into a new collective bargaining agreement (the *Collective Bargaining Agreement* ) with The Texas City Texas, Texas Metal Trades Council, AFL-CIO (the *Union* ). The Union represents 105 of Sterling s hourly employees who work at Sterling s Texas City, Texas facility. The Collective Bargaining Agreement is effective as of May 1, 2007, and will continue through May 1, 2012. Under the Collective Bargaining Agreement, Sterling and the Union agreed to the scope of work of the employees, hours of work, wage increases, benefits, vacation time, sick leave and other customary terms. The Collective Bargaining Agreement also specifies grievance procedures should any dispute arise between Sterling and any of its represented employees.

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**SIGNATURE**

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: May 7, 2007

**STERLING CHEMICALS, INC.**

By: /s/ Richard K. Crump  
Richard K. Crump  
President and Chief Executive Officer