

CREE INC  
Form 8-K  
July 12, 2006

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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): July 12, 2006**

**CREE, INC.**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**North Carolina**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
**of**  
**incorporation)**

**0-21154**  
**(Commission File**  
**Number)**

**56-1572719**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification Number)**

**4600 Silicon Drive**  
**Durham, North Carolina**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**27703**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(919) 313-5300**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code**

**N/A**  
**(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



**Results of  
Item Operations and  
2.02 Financial  
Condition**

On July 12, 2006, Cree, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing preliminary financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 25, 2006. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated into this report by reference.

The information in this report shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Furthermore, the information in this report shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into the filings of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Financial  
Item Statements and  
9.01 Exhibits**

**(d) Exhibits**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>No.</b> | <b>Description of<br/>Exhibit</b>    |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 99.1                   | Press release dated<br>July 12, 2006 |

**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.

**CREE, INC.**

By: /s/ Charles M. Swoboda

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Charles M. Swoboda  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

Dated: July 12, 2006

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