## **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): August 15, 2005

# THE GILLETTE COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

#### DELAWARE

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-00922

(Commission File Number)

**PRUDENTIAL TOWER BUILDING, BOSTON, MA** 

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant stelephone number, including area code: (617) 421-7000

**Not Applicable** 

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

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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

04-1366970

02199

(Zip Code)

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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 8.01. Other Events.

The Gillette Company, a Delaware corporation (**Gillette**), has determined to resume its share repurchase program, effective immediately. Approximately 26.2 million shares of common stock remain available for repurchase under the share repurchase program, which was authorized by Gillette B Board of Directors on September 16, 2003. This program had been suspended in connection with the negotiations of The Procter & Gamble Company/Gillette merger agreement, the execution of which was announced on January 28, 2005, and activities that were taken to implement the agreement after that date.

## 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.

THE GILLETTE COMPANY

Date: August 15, 2005

By: /s/ Charles W. Cramb

Name: Charles W. Cramb

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer