EMMIS COMMUNICATIONS CORP Form 8-K May 23, 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): May 22, 2008 EMMIS COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

INDIANA

(State of incorporation or organization)

0-23264

(Commission file number) 35-1542018

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

ONE EMMIS PLAZA

40 MONUMENT CIRCLE

SUITE 700

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204

(Address of principal executive offices)

(317) 266-0100

(Registrant s Telephone Number,

Including Area Code)

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 May 22, 2008, the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors adopted a new bonus plan for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2009. The Committee established a corporate incentive plan for the fiscal year which will measure for each executive officer a target bonus and a performance goal so that an executive officer s target bonus will be based on specified station operating income goals and the remainder will be based on individual performance (subject to a threshold station operating income level that must be met for any bonuses to be awarded). A percentage of the target bonus will then be earned depending upon the extent to which the applicable division of the company meets or exceeds the specified operating income targets and depending upon the Committee s assessment of the performance of the executive during the year. At the end of the fiscal year, the Company will determine what percent of its domestic radio station operating income target, its publishing operating income target, its international radio station operating income target, and of its total Company station operating income target were achieved. Based on these results, the Committee will make the actual bonus awards. Bonuses will be awarded in cash, stock or both in a proportion to be determined by the Committee.

ITEM 8.01. Other Events.

On May 22, 2008, the Company issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

EXHIBIT # DESCRIPTION

99.1 Press Release

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, thereunto duly authorized.

EMMIS COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Date: May 23, 2008

By: /s/ J. Scott Enright J. Scott Enright, Senior Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Secretary