

AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY HOLDINGS INC  
Form 425  
August 01, 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 31, 2008**

**AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**001-32922**  
(Commission File Number)

**05-0569368**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**120 North Parkway**  
**Pekin, IL**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**61554**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(309) 347-9200**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name 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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On July 31, 2008, Aventine Renewable Energy Holdings, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing the Company's earnings for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2008. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto, and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 8.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On July 31, 2008, the Company has entered into a purchase agreement with Nebraska Energy Cooperative, its minority partner in Nebraska Energy, LLC, to purchase the 21.58% of Nebraska Energy, LLC it does not already own. The Company has agreed to issue 1 million shares of common stock to acquire the remaining interest. It is expected that this transaction will close as soon as possible after receiving the necessary approvals from the existing shareholders of the Nebraska Energy Cooperative.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) Financial statements of businesses acquired Not Applicable
- (b) Pro forma financial information Not Applicable
- (d) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| 99.1        | Press release, dated July 31, 2008, issued by Aventine Renewable Energy Holdings, Inc. announcing the Company's earnings for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2008. |

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 hereto duly authorized.

Dated: August 1, 2008

AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY  
HOLDINGS, INC.

By:                    /s/                    William J. Brennan  
   William J. Brennan  
   Principal Accounting Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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