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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): April 17, 2007

LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 0-20578 48-0920712

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1900 Shawnee Mission Parkway Mission Woods, Kansas 66205 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(913) 362-0510

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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SECTION 8 OTHER EVENTS ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On April 17, 2007, Layne Christensen Company issued a press release announcing that its subsidiary, Layne Energy, Inc. and a group of Chilean investors successfully negotiated a definitive agreement for the development of unconventional gas, primarily coalbed methane gas, in south central Chile. A copy of the Press Release is attached as Exhibit 99.

SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

99 Press Release issued by Layne Christensen Company, dated April 17, 2007.

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.

LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY

Date: April 17, 2007 By /s/A. B. Schmitt

Name: Andrew B. Schmitt

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

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