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As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 26, 2008

Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

THE E. W. SCRIPPS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

31-1223339 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

312 Walnut Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 (513) 977-3000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

The E. W. Scripps Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Full Title of the Plan)

M. Denise Kuprionis
Vice President, Corporate Secretary and Director of Legal Affairs
The E. W. Scripps Company
312 Walnut Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
(513) 977-3835

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone numbers, including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer b

Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company o

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Amount	Proposed maximum	Proposed maximum aggregate	
Title of each class of	to be	offering price	offering	Amount of registration
Securities to be registered	registered(1) 200,000	per share (2)	price(2)	fee
Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value	Shares	\$ 44.43	\$ 8,886,000	\$ 349.00

(1) Pursuant to

Rule 416 under

the Securities

Act of 1933, as

amended, (the

Securities Act)

this Registration

Statement shall

also include an

indeterminable

number of

Class A

Common Shares

that may

become issuable

pursuant to the

anti-dilution

provisions of

the Company s

Employee Stock

Purchase Plan

described herein

by reason of any

stock dividend,

stock split,

recapitalization

or other similar

transaction

effected without

the receipt of

consideration

that increases

the number of

the Company s

outstanding

Class A

Common

Shares.

(2) Estimated solely for the purposes

of determining the amount of the registration fee, in accordance with Rule 457(c) and 457(h) of the Securities Act, on the basis of the average of the high and low price per share of Class A Common Shares, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on June 23, 2008.

REGISTRATION OF ADDITIONAL SECURITIES FOR ISSUANCE UNDER THE COMPANY S EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

As permitted under General Instruction E to Form S-8, this Registration Statement on Form S-8 is being filed solely to register pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, 200,000 additional Class A Common Shares of The E. W. Scripps Company (the Company) for issuance pursuant to the Company s Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the Plan).

On November 21, 1997, the Company filed a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-40767), and on November 3, 2004, the Company filed a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-120185), covering Class A Common Shares to be issued under the Plan (the Prior Registration Statements). The Prior Registration Statements cover 1,000,000 Class A Common Shares and are hereby incorporated by reference.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, The E. W. Scripps Company certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, on June 26, 2008.

THE E. W. SCRIPPS COMPANY (Registrant)

By: *Kenneth W. Lowe

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on June 26, 2008.

Signature	Title
*Kenneth W. Lowe	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)
*Joseph G. NeCastro	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
*William R. Burleigh	Chairman of the Board of Directors
*John H. Burlingame	Director
*David A. Galloway	Director
*David M. Moffett	Director
*Jarl Mohn	Director
*Nicholas B. Paumgarten	Director
*Jeffrey Sagansky	Director
*Nackey E. Scagliotti	Director
*Paul K. Scripps	Director
*Ronald W. Tysoe	Director

does hereby sign this document on behalf of the Registrant and on behalf of each of the above-named persons indicated above by asterisks, pursuant to a power of attorney duly executed by the Registrant and such persons, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit hereto.

By: /s/ William Appleton

Name: William Appleton Title: Attorney-in-Fact

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Exhibits
5	Opinion and Consent of Thompson Hine LLP
23	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for The E. W. Scripps Company
24	Power of Attorney
99	The E. W. Scripps Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan