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): March 16, 2005

ECC CAPITAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-32430 (Commission File Number)

84-1642470 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

Identification No.)

1833 Alton Parkway,

Irvine, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

92606 (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (949) 856-8300

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

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- " 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 March 16, 2005, the registrant, Encore Credit Corp., a direct wholly owned subsidiary of the registrant (Encore), Bravo Credit Corporation, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the registrant, and Wachovia Bank, National Association entered into an Amended and Restated Master Repurchase Agreement (the Master Repurchase Agreement). The purpose of the Master Repurchase Agreement was to amend and restate the Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2004, in order to amend the definition of Maximum Aggregate Purchase Price, to mean an amount equal to \$1,000,000,000, which extends through March 31, 2006, and to provide for the corporate reorganization and the registrant s real estate investment trust requirements. The Master Repurchase Agreement is filed as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 22, 2005, the registrant issued a press release announcing the completion of a \$1.6 billion asset-backed securitization. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

- 10.1 Master Repurchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2005, by and among ECC Capital Corporation, Encore Credit Corp., Bravo Credit Corporation and Wachovia Bank, National Association.
- 99.1 Press Release dated March 22, 2005.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ECC CAPITAL CORPORATION

March 22, 2005

By: /s/ Shahid S. Asghar

Shahid S. Asghar President and Co-Chief Executive Officer

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