

BRUSH ENGINEERED MATERIALS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 26, 2007

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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):

December 26, 2007

Brush Engineered Materials Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

001-15885

34-1919973

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

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

17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

44110

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

216-486-4200

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

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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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

Effective December 20, 2007, Brush Engineered Materials Inc. (the "Company") and certain of its subsidiaries entered into an amendment (the "Amendment") of the Credit Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2007, among the Company, the Company's subsidiary, Williams Advanced Materials (Netherlands) B.V., JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as administrative agent for itself and the other lenders party thereto (the "Agent"), and the several banks and other financial institutions or entities from time to time party thereto (the "Credit Agreement"). The Amendment allows the Company and its subsidiaries to enter into agreements for the procurement of gold, silver, platinum, palladium and other precious metals (whether styled as debt, leases, consignments or otherwise) with available lines of up to \$205 million without the consent of the Agent or any of the other banks or financial institutions party to the Credit Agreement. This is an increase from \$180 million.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

99.1 Amendment No. 1 to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2007.

The foregoing description of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amendment, a copy of which has been filed as an exhibit hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

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**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.

Brush Engineered Materials Inc.

*December 26, 2007*

By: *Michael C. Hasychak*

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*Name: Michael C. Hasychak*

*Title: Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary*

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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