ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC

Form 8-K January 12, 2005

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): January 11, 2005

Encore Capital Group, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

000-26489

(Commission File Number)

48-1090909

(I.R.S Employer Identification No.)

8875 Aero Drive San Diego, California 92123

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(877) 445-4581

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 11, 2005 the Company issued a press release announcing that a forward flow portfolio purchase contract that had been in effect through 2004 had expired and would not be renewed. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein solely for purposes of this Item 7.01.

The information provided in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, the information provided in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of Encore Capital Group, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933.

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated January 11, 2005 regarding expiration of forward flow portfolio purchase contract.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

Date: January 11, 2005 By /s/ Barry R. Barkley

Barry R. Barkley Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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