

Chaparral Steel CO
Form 8-K
August 23, 2007

**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) **August 23, 2007**

CHAPARRAL STEEL COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-51307
(Commission
File Number)

20-2373478
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

300 Ward Road, Midlothian, TX
(Address of principal executive offices)

76065
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **972-775-8241**

(N/A)

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 8.01 Other Events.

On August 23, 2007, the registrant, and Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation issued a joint press release announcing that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, in connection with the Agreement and Plan of merger signed by the registrant, Gerdau Ameristeel and certain other parties, expired at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on August 22, 2007 without action by either the Federal Trade Commission or the Department of Justice. A copy of that press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by

reference.

Signature

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.

Date: August 23, 2007

CHAPARRAL STEEL COMPANY

By: /s/Robert E. Crawford, Jr.

Vice President and General Counsel
