

STARBUCKS CORP
Form 8-K
October 24, 2006

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934
October 24, 2006
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
STARBUCKS CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

Washington
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

0-20322
(Commission File Number)

91-1325671
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2401 Utah Avenue South
Seattle, Washington 98134
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(206) 447-1575
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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On October 24, 2006, Starbucks Corporation announced that it has acquired ownership of High Grown Investment Group (Hong Kong) Limited, which in turn is the majority owner of Beijing Mei Da Coffee Co. Ltd., the operator of 61 Starbucks retail stores in Beijing and Tianjin, People's Republic of China, and an authorized licensee of Starbucks Coffee International. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

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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.

STARBUCKS CORPORATION

Dated: October 24, 2006

By: /s/ Michael Casey

Michael Casey
executive vice president, chief financial
officer and chief administrative officer