AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP Form 8-K April 18, 2008

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): April 18, 2008 (April 17, 2008)

AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New York (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **0-538** (Commission File Number)

111 Arlozorov Street Tel Aviv, Israel (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(866) 447-8636 (Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

0 Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

13-0435685 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

62098 (Zip Code)

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 17, 2008, Ampal-American Israel Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing the completion of the institutional investor phase of the offering in Israel of the Company s Series B debentures. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

This Current Report on Form 8-K is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy any of the Company s securities.

As provided in General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information contained in this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K shall be considered filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

EXHIBITDESCRIPTION99.1Press release of Ampal-American Israel Corporation, dated April 17, 2008.*

* As provided in General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, Exhibit 99.1 of this Current Report on Form 8-K shall be considered filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act.

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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.

AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORPORATION

Date: April 18, 2008

By: /s/Yoram Firon Name: Yoram Firon Title: Vice President Investments and Corporate Affairs

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