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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):

July 14, 2006

Cabot Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-5667

04-2271897

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

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

Two Seaport Lane, Suite 1300, Boston,  
Massachusetts

02210-2019

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

617-345-0100

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

At its meeting on July 14, 2006, the Board of Directors of Cabot Corporation ("Cabot") elected Mr. Shengman Zhang as a director of Cabot. A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Zhang's election is attached as Exhibit 99.

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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.

Cabot Corporation

July 14, 2006

By: */s/ Brian A. Berube*

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*Name: Brian A. Berube*

*Title: Vice President and General Counsel*

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Exhibit No.	Description
99	Press release dated July 14, 2006 announcing election of Mr. Shengman Zhang as a director of Cabot Corporation.

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## **Cabot Corporation Board Elects Shengman Zhang as Director**

**BOSTON, MA – July 14, 2006** – Cabot Corporation announced today the election of Mr. Shengman Zhang to its Board of Directors, effective July 14, 2006.

Mr. Zhang is Vice Chairman, Global Banking for Citigroup Corporate and Investment Banking and Chairman of the Public Sector Group.

Prior to joining Citigroup in 2006, Mr. Zhang had been Managing Director, World Bank. Since 1997, he had been in charge of the Bank's operations worldwide and chaired the World Bank's Operations Policy Committee, the Operations Committee, the Sanctions Committee and the Corporate Committee on Fraud and Corruption Policy. He was also Chairman of the Bank Group's Crisis Management Committee. Mr. Zhang began his career at the World Bank after having served in a number of senior positions at the Ministry of Finance in China.

Commenting on the election of Mr. Zhang, Kennett F. Burnes, Chairman of the Board, said, " Cabot Corporation is delighted to have a person of Mr. Zhang's caliber and experience join its Board of Directors. His considerable knowledge and expertise will further enhance the leadership provided by our Board of Directors."

### **About Cabot Corporation**

Cabot Corporation is a global specialty chemicals and materials company headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, USA. Cabot's major products are carbon black, fumed silica, inkjet colorants, capacitor materials, and cesium formate drilling fluids. The website address is: [www.cabot-corp.com](http://www.cabot-corp.com).