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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): September 5, 2006

The Topps Company, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-15817 (Commission File Number)

11-2849283 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Whitehall Street, New York, NY 10004 $(212)\ 376-0300$ (Address of principal executive offices and telephone number)

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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On September 5, 2006, The Topps Company, Inc. (the "Company") entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Major League Baseball Players Association (the "MLBPA"). Under the terms of the Agreement, the Company agrees to pay certain royalties and marketing fees to the MLBPA and the Company is authorized to manufacture and distribute products featuring one or more Major League baseball players. The Agreement terminates on January 31, 2010.

The Agreement will be filed as an exhibit to the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ending on August 26, 2006, with portions to be omitted and filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to a request for confidential treatment.

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.

Dated: September 7, 2006

THE TOPPS COMPANY, INC.

By: s/ Arthur T. Shorin

Arthur T. Shorin

Chief Executive Officer