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## GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC

Form 8-K August 14, 2006

> 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

August 14, 2006 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

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THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 1-4141 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission file number) (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization)

13-1890974 Identification No.)

Two Paragon Drive Montvale, New Jersey 07645 (Address of principal executive offices)

> (201) 573-9700 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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:

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- \_\_ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d- 2(b))
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#### Item 3.01

On August 11, 2005, The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. (the "Company") timely submitted to the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") an Annual Chief Executive Officer Certification indicating that the Chief Executive Officer of the Company was not aware of any violation by the Company of the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards. In addition, the Company included as exhibits to its annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 25, 2006 filed on May 9, 2006 certifications of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer certifying the quality of the Company's public disclosure. The Company inadvertently omitted from its 2005 annual report to shareholders, however, a statement required by corporate governance listing standard 303A.12(a) of the NYSE that the Chief Executive Officer Certification was timely submitted to the NYSE and the certifications regarding public disclosure were filed with the Company's most recent 10-K.

On August 8, 2006, the Company advised the NYSE of this inadvertent omission. On the same date, the NYSE verbally advised the Company that the Company could cure this deficiency by filing a Current Report on Form 8-K containing the required disclosure. The required disclosure appears under Item 8.01 of this Report and is incorporated into this Item 3.01 by reference. The Company will include the required disclosure in future annual reports.

#### Item 8.01

The Company has included as exhibits to its annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 25, 2006, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, certifications of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer certifying the quality of the Company's public disclosure. On August 11, 2005, the Company timely submitted to the NYSE an Annual Chief Executive Officer Certification indicating that the Chief Executive Officer of the Company was not aware of any violation by the Company of the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards. Such certification was unqualified.

## 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.

Dated: August 14, 2006

THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC.

/s/ Allan Richards

Allan Richards, Sr. Vice President, Human Resources, Labor Relations

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