AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP Form 8-K July 23, 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): July 23, 2008 (July 22, 2008)

### AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New York0-53813-0435685(State or Other Jurisdiction(Commission(IRS Employerof Incorporation)File Number)Identification No.)

111 Arlozorov Street

Tel Aviv, Israel62098(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

(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):

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  m O}$  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- O Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- O Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- O Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 22, 2008, Ampal-American Israel Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it has commenced offers in Israel to purchase all outstanding shares and convertible debentures of Gadot Chemical Tankers And Terminals Ltd. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

### <u>EXHIBIT</u> <u>DESCRIPTION</u>

99.1 Press release of Ampal American Israel Corporation, dated July 22, 2008.

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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: July 23, 2008 By: /s/Yoram Firon

Name: Yoram Firon

Title: Vice President Investments and Corporate Affairs

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