

SONOSITE INC  
Form 8-K  
July 21, 2008

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### Form 8-K

#### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

July 16, 2008

Date of Report  
(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

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### SONOSITE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Washington  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-23791  
(Commission  
File No.)

91-1405022  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

21919 30th Drive S.E., Bothell, Washington 98021-3904  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(425) 951-1200  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

None  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

- Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e4(c))
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**Item 7.01**

**Regulation FD Disclosure**

On July 16, 2008, SonoSite, Inc. and Zonare Medical Systems, Inc. settled their patent infringement suit in federal district court in California involving SonoSite's U.S. Patent No. 5,722,412 and Zonare's U.S. Patent No. 6,980,419. Pursuant to the settlement, the parties entered into a cross license of the patents-in-suit limited to certain existing products of each party, and provided each other with mutual releases and covenants not to sue for a certain period of time. The terms of the agreement are confidential.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, SonoSite, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SONOSITE, INC.

Dated: July 18, 2008

By:           /s/ BERNARD J. PITZ          

Bernard J. Pitz  
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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