

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 12 or 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: January 18, 2001

LEE ENTERPRISES, INCORPORATED

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-6227	42-0823980
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(State or other jurisdiction of Identification No.) incorporation)	(Commission	(IRS Employer File Number)

215 N. Main Street, Davenport, IA	52801-1924
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(Address of principal executive offices)	ZIP Code

(319) 383-2100

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events

On January 18, 2001, the Registrant issued the following press release announcing its plans to sell its only remaining broadcasting property, KMAZ-TV in El Paso, Texas, to Council Tree Hispanic Broadcasters, L.L.C., of Longmont, Colorado. The sale is subject to various conditions, including approval by the Federal Communication Commission, and other customary contingencies for a transaction of this nature.

NEWS RELEASE

FOR RELEASE: January 18, 2001

Lee Enterprises to sell TV station in El Paso

EL PASO, Texas (January 18, 2001) -- Lee Enterprises (NYSE: LEE) announced plans today to sell KMAZ-TV in El Paso to Council Tree Hispanic Broadcasters, L.L.C., of Longmont, Colorado.

Mary Junck, Lee Enterprises president and chief operating officer, said the sale is expected to close in several months, after regulatory clearances and approval of the Federal Communications Commission.

The sale will complete Lee's exit from television broadcasting. Lee announced last March that it had made a strategic decision to focus on newspaper publishing and related online services. On Oct. 1, Lee completed the sale of eight network-affiliated stations and their satellites to Emmis Communications Corporation of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Lee Enterprises is based in Davenport, Iowa. It owns 23 daily newspapers and joint interest in five others. Lee also owns more than 100 weekly newspapers, shoppers and classified and specialty publications, along with associated online services. More information about Lee Enterprises is available at [www.lee.net](http://www.lee.net).

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.

LEE ENTERPRISES, INCORPORATED

By: /s/ G. Chris Wahlig  
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G. Chris Wahlig  
Vice President-Finance and  
Chief Accounting Officer

Dated: January 18, 2001