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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of May 2007

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

(Translation of Registrant s Name Into English)

No. 8, Li-Hsin Rd. 6, Hsinchu Science Park,

Taiwan

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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TSMC Board Approves Expansion of 45 Nanometer Capacity

Hsinchu, Taiwan, R.O.C., May 8, 2007 TSMC s (NYSE: TSM) Board of Directors today approved capital appropriation of US\$205 million for expanding 45 nanometer process capacity in Fab 12.

TSMC s Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Lora Ho, said other major conclusions of the Board meeting were as follows:

- 1. Approved a proposal setting the number of directors of TSMC s Board of Directors at eight.
- 2. Approved a capital increase to reflect the issuance of 3,271,373 new TSMC common shares as a result of employees exercising their stock options, and set May 15, 2007 as the record date for the capital increase.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

Date: May 8, 2007 By /s/ Lora Ho

Lora Ho

Vice President & Chief Financial

Officer