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):

August 7, 2008

HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New York 0-11576 13-3119827

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

111 West 57th Street New York, New York 10019

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 582-0900

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 7, 2008, Harris & Harris Group, Inc. (the "Company") released the letter to shareholders for the second quarter of 2008, which is available on the Company's website, www.TinyTechVC.com. A copy of the letter to shareholders is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K, and the Company's press release issued August 7, 2008, is attached as Exhibit 99.2.

Forward-Looking Statements

The letter to shareholders for the second quarter of 2008 may contain statements of a forward-looking nature relating to future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to the inherent uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. These statements reflect the Company's current beliefs, and a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the letter to shareholders for the second quarter of 2008. Please see the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, the Company's report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, and subsequent filings, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, for a more detailed discussion of the risks and uncertainties associated with the Company's business, including but not limited to the risks and uncertainties associated with venture capital investing and other significant factors that could affect the Company's actual results. Except as otherwise required by Federal securities laws, Harris & Harris Group, Inc., undertakes no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements to reflect new events or uncertainties.

Additional Information

The reference to the website www.TinyTechVC.com has been provided as a convenience, and the information contained on such website is not incorporated by reference into this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Second Quarter Letter to Shareholders
99.2	Press Release dated August 7, 2008

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.

Date: August 7, 2008 HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Daniel B. Wolfe

Daniel B. Wolfe Chief Financial Officer

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Venture Capital for Tiny Technology

SECOND QUARTER REPORT 2008

FELLOW SHAREHOLDERS:

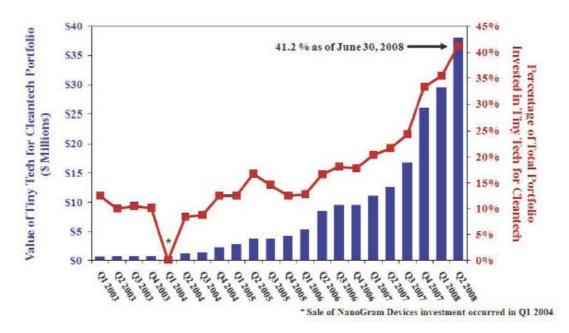
As always, in adversity, there is opportunity. Currently, the United States is beset by great economic and financial adversity: declining housing prices and rising mortgage foreclosures; the credit and banking crisis precipitated by the sub-prime mortgage debacle; the slowing economy; the global bear market in stocks; the shutdown of the market for venture capital-backed initial public offerings (IPOs); the slowdown of merger-and-acquisition activity; the disappearance of the auction-rate securities markets; the growing U.S. budget deficit; the devaluation of the U.S. dollar; the slump in sales and declining re-sale values of gas-guzzling vehicles; rising unemployment; growing delinquencies in credit-card debt; rising industrial-commodity prices; rising food prices; widely accepted evidence of global warming; and rising energy prices.

Of all of these problems, none seems more intractable than the cost and availability of clean energy. But for the venture capital industry and for those seeking commercial applications for nanotechnology, there is no greater opportunity than cleantech -- reducing the consumption, costs, and pollution associated with generating energy.

At a time when capital is hard to attract in most industries, it is pouring into cleantech. And our own portfolio reflects this onslaught of capital for cleantech. All of the nine companies in our portfolio that we classify as "Tiny Tech for Cleantech," except Laser Light Engines, Inc., in which we recently made our initial investment, have completed follow-on financings subsequent to our initial investment. Of the eight companies that have completed subsequent financings, seven have completed financings at premiums to the prices of the rounds of financing in which we initially participated. Thus, the value of our Tiny Tech for Cleantech holdings is currently \$38,063,904, versus our cost of \$21,612,011. Moreover, since we began making new investments strictly in tiny technology in 2001, we have had no write-offs of cleantech investments, and we sold our shares in one such investment, NanoGram Devices Corporation, for \$2,749,955, versus our cost basis of \$813,210, approximately 14 months after our investment. (Prior to 2001, our only investment in cleantech was in Molten Metal Technology, Inc., in which we completed the sale of our shares for \$30,660,765, versus our cost basis of \$110,000, approximately 48 months after our investment.)

In the second quarter, as a result of both new investment and appreciation in the value of our previous holdings, Tiny Tech for Cleantech increased from 35.5 to 41.2 percent of our portfolio. Driven by the increase in value of our Tiny Tech for Cleantech holdings, our net asset value per share (NAV) increased to \$5.95, its all-time high. One of these holdings, Solazyme, was recently named most promising U.S. green-tech firm at the sixth annual World Investment Conference in France.

Given the growing employment of nanotechnology for cleantech solutions, Tiny Tech for Cleantech may continue to grow as a percentage of our portfolio.



With 32 active companies in our portfolio, developing, making and selling a variety of products for a variety of markets, we are of course exposed, either directly or indirectly, to most of the negative forces in our economy. With respect to some of these negative forces, our

exposure is isolated. For example, one of our companies makes products for the home-building industry, two hold some auction-rate securities, and some of our companies have borrowed money from banks. With respect to other of these negative forces, most of our companies are or may become affected. For example, we would expect the economic slowdown to have some effect on most of our companies, other than the ones developing and selling products and services for the life-sciences markets.

In this unusually difficult environment, we are continuing to invest. But until the capital markets improve, we would not expect any of our portfolio companies to try to move ahead with IPO plans. For the first time in a quarter since 1978, in the second quarter of 2008, there were no IPOs in the United States of venture capital-backed companies. Nor did the IPO market improve in July; July was the worst month for IPOs globally in the last five years. And while merger-and-acquisition activity continues, it has been subdued recently. Companies that remain in a venture capital portfolio rather than going public or being acquired generate no liquidity and often require additional investment. Thus, while we weather the storm, we expect to be making a higher percentage of our investments than was our wont in followon, as opposed to initial, investments.

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	YTD 6/30/08
Total Incremental								
Investments	\$ 489,999	\$6,240,118	\$3,812,600	\$14,837,846	\$16,251,339	\$24,408,187	\$20,595,161	\$10,847,095
No. of New Investments	1	7	5	8	4	6	7	2
No. of Follow-On								
Investment Rounds	0	1	5	21	13	14	20	13
No. of Rounds Led	0	1	0	2	0	7	3	3
Average Dollar								
Amount - Initial	\$ 489,999	\$ 784,303	\$ 437,156	\$ 911,625	\$ 1,575,000	\$ 2,383,424	\$ 1,086,441	\$ 1,122,250
Average Dollar Amount - Follow-On	N/A	\$ 750,000	\$ 325,364	\$ 359,278	\$ 765,488	\$ 721,974	\$ 649,504	\$ 661,738

In all environments, we endeavor to manage the high risk inherent in our individual investments in three ways: financial diversification, economic diversification, and degree of liquidity on our parent-company balance sheet. With respect to financial diversification, we do not currently have as much as five percent of our net assets invested on a cost basis in any one portfolio company (although occasionally we have gone over five percent in the past and may do so again in the future). With respect to economic diversification, our portfolio companies are utilizing tiny technology to develop, manufacture, and market a wide variety of products for a variety of end-user markets. With respect to balance-sheet liquidity, we raised enough additional capital (\$14,383,497, net of offering expenses) in the second quarter to continue to execute a long-term growth strategy, in spite of the difficult environment in which we find ourselves. We wound up the second quarter with \$61,425,025 in U.S. treasury securities and no debt.

Our company is extremely sensitive to bear markets in stocks. Our stock has a high beta - in other words, it is much more volatile than the general stock market. Thus, a bear market tends to lower our stock's price, which raises our cost of capital as well as hurting our shareholders. A bear market tends to slow if not halt IPOs of venture capital-backed companies. Merger-and-acquisition activity tends to slow, and valuations of acquisitions decline, in a bear market. Moreover, the multiple of our stock price to our net asset value per share (NAV) seems to be sensitive to the level of venture capital-backed IPOs. This year, as IPO activity dried up (there were only five venture capital-backed IPOs in the entire first half), whether coincidentally or not, our stock traded at times at or below NAV, even as our NAV was headed to a record high at the end of the second quarter. Of course, we are far from alone in this bear market. Ironically, in spite of the actual decline in our market value this year, we were included in the Russell 2000 Index after the close of the equity markets on June 27, 2008, on the basis of the relative *increase* in our market value!

In closing, we are very appreciative of the patience and support of our fellow shareholders. Bear markets burn out eventually, and in their aftermath, it always turns out that great new companies rise from the ashes. We are in the business of trying to identify, invest in, and develop such companies. The world looked pretty gloomy in 1978 too, the last time there were no venture capital-backed IPOs for an entire quarter. In the aftermath of the current bear market, we are betting that cleantech companies will be in the vanguard of the next IPO market.

Charles E. Harris

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Managing Director

Douglas W. Jamison

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President and Chief Operating Officer

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HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ASSETS

	June 30, 2008 (Unaudited)			December 31, 2007					
Investments, in portfolio securities at value									
(cost: \$88,459,760 and \$82,677,528, respectively)	\$	92,335,524	\$	78,110,384					
Investments, in U.S. Treasury obligations at value									
(cost: \$60,984,874 and \$59,552,933, respectively)		61,425,025		60,193,593					
Cash and cash equivalents		688,119		330,009					
Restricted funds		53,871		2,667,020					
Receivable from portfolio company		21,500		524					
Interest receivable		573,686		647,337					
Prepaid expenses		263,363		488,667					
Other assets		425,895		455,798					
Total assets	\$	155,786,983	\$	142,893,332					
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS									
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	1,996,853	\$	4,515,463					
Deferred rent		11,290		14,525					
Total liabilities		2,008,143		4,529,988					
Net assets	\$	153,778,840	\$	138,363,344					
Net assets are comprised of:									
Preferred stock, \$0.10 par value, 2,000,000 shares authorized; none									
issued	\$	0	\$	0					
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 45,000,000 shares authorized at									
6/30/08 and 12/31/07; 27,688,313 issued at 6/30/08 and 25,143,313 issued at 12/31/07		276,884		251,434					
Additional paid in capital		178,252,063		160,927,691					
Accumulated net realized loss		(25,660,491)		(15,483,766)					
Accumulated unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments		4,315,915		(3,926,484)					
Treasury stock, at cost (1,828,740 shares at 6/30/08 and 12/31/07)		(3,405,531)		(3,405,531)					
Net assets	\$	153,778,840	\$	138,363,344					
Shares outstanding		25,859,573	_	23,314,573					
Net asset value per outstanding share	\$	5.95	\$	5.93					

HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

	Th	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
	' <u></u>	2008		2007		2008		2007	
Investment income:									
Interest from:									
Fixed-income securities	\$	464,456	\$	637,701	\$	1,040,758	\$	1,290,199	
Miscellaneous income		3,169		0		3,169		0	
Total investment income		467,625		637,701		1,043,927		1,290,199	

Expenses:

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Professional fees		201,866		335,067	340,098		517,262
Rent		59,748		58,813	117,602		118,320
Directors' fees and expenses		79,169		112,157	184,315		253,353
Depreciation		13,819		15,908	27,804		31,221
Custodian fees		6,143		5,961	12,696		11,735
Total expenses		3,105,908		3,529,368	6,162,828		6,848,984
Net operating loss		(2,638,283)	_	(2,891,667)	 (5,118,901)	_	(5,558,785)
Net realized gain (loss) from investments:							
Realized gain (loss) from investments		3,912		(8,213)	(5,010,958)		(8,887)
Income tax expense		668		0	46,866		84,905
Net realized gain (loss) from investments		3,244	Ξ	(8,213)	(5,057,824)		(93,792)
Net decrease (increase) in unrealized depreciation on investments:							
Change as a result of investment sales		0		0	5,014,653		0
Change on investments held		3, 989,748		(1,193,764)	3,227,746		(4,831,227)
Net decrease (increase) in unrealized depreciation on investments		3, 989,748		(1,193,764)	8,242,399		(4,831,227)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from							
operations	\$	1,354,709	\$	(4,093,644)	\$ (1,934,326)	\$	(10,483,804)
Per average basic and diluted outstanding share	\$	0.06	\$	(0.19)	\$ (0.08)	\$	(0.49)
Average outstanding shares	_	23,622,210		21,721,591	23,468,392		21,500,810

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HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP SECOND QUARTER LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS ON WEBSITE

Shareholders of Harris & Harris Group, Inc., may be interested to know that we have posted our letter to shareholders for the second quarter of 2008 on our website. It may be accessed directly on our website at http://www.tinytechvc.com/newsite/PDFs/q22008.pdf.

Harris & Harris Group is a publicly traded venture capital company that makes initial investments exclusively in tiny technology, including nanotechnology, microsystems and microelectromechanical systems (MEMS).

Detailed information about Harris & Harris Group and its holdings can be found on its website at www.TinyTechVC.com.

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