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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: February 6, 2006 (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina 1-5955 56-0896180 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

100 North Greene Street Greensboro, North Carolina 27401 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(336) 691-3000 (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:

- [x] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 204.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On February 6, 2006, Jefferson-Pilot Corporation issued a news release announcing its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2005. A copy of the Earnings News Release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information included or incorporated in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) shall be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

In connection with the proposed transaction with Lincoln National Corporation and to affect a Rule 425 filing, a copy of the Earnings News Release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(D) Exhibits

99.1 News Release of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation, dated February 6, 2006, announcing financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2005.

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: February 6, 2006 JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION

By: /s/ Robert A. Reed

Name: Robert A. Reed

Title: Vice President, Secretary and Corporate Counsel