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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Report on Form 6-K dated March 15, 2006

STMicroelectronics N.V.

(Name of Registrant)

39, Chemin du Champ-des-Filles
1228 Plan-les-Ouates, Geneva, Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Enclosure: A press release dated March 13, 2006 announcing that STMicroelectronics N.V. announced the pricing of 500 million Floating Rate Senior Bonds due 2013 in the Euro Debt Capital Market.

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STMicroelectronics N.V. Announces Pricing of its Inaugural Senior Unsecured Eurobond Offering

Geneva, March 13, 2006 - STMicroelectronics N.V. (NYSE:STM) today announced the pricing of 500 million Floating Rate Senior Bonds due 2013 in the Euro Debt Capital Market. These bonds will pay interest quarterly at a rate equal to three-month Euribor plus 40 basis points.

The offering complements the recent placement by STMicroelectronics N.V. of US \$927 million of Zero Coupon Senior Convertible Bonds due 2016 as part of the refinancing strategy of its existing Zero Coupon Senior Convertible Bonds due 2013, which are potentially redeemable by the holders on August 5, 2006, maintaining the current high liquidity (the Company reported in excess of US\$ 2 billion in cash and cash equivalents and a net cash balance of US\$ 225 million as of December 31, 2005). To the extent that ST does not use the proceeds for the repayment of amounts due under the 2013 Bonds or for repurchases of the 2013 Bonds, ST will use the proceeds for general corporate purposes. In the interim, ST expects to invest the net proceeds of this offering in short-term, income-producing investments.

The Bonds are being issued by STMicroelectronics Finance B.V. and guaranteed by its parent company STMicroelectronics N.V. whose current ratings are A3 Negative Outlook by Moody's and A- Stable Outlook by Standard & Poor's. Application will be made to list the Bonds on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

Commenting on the issue, Carlo Ferro, ST's Chief Financial Officer, said, "We are pleased with the strong demand we have had for our debut issue in the Euro bond market. It reflects the strength of our product portfolio, solid balance sheet and free cash flow generation. Having successfully issued convertible notes recently, we have accomplished in a timely fashion our plan of refinancing with a combination of equity linked and straight debt. Between the two offerings, we raised more than \$1.5 billion at 2.1% average cost of funding, introduced ST to the European debt capital market and met our key objective to refinance friendly to our shareholders, with no further equity dilution."

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Other information

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No action has been taken or will be taken in any member state of the European Economic Area that as at the date of this prospectus has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each a Relevant Member State) to permit an offer to the public of the

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Bonds. Accordingly, subject to compliance with other restrictions in certain Relevant Member States as set forth in this prospectus, the Bonds may only be offered in Relevant Member States to (i) legal entities which are authorized or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorized or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities; (ii) any legal entity which has two or more of (i) an average of at least 250 employees during the financial year; (ii) a total balance sheet of more than 43,000,000 and (iii) an annual net turnover of more than 50,000,000 as shown in the last annual or consolidated accounts; or (iii) a natural person who has expressly requested pursuant to Article 2(1)(e)(iv) of the Prospectus Directive (and any relevant measures in a Relevant Member State) to be considered as a qualified investor and which have satisfied at least two of the criteria set out in Article 2(2) of the Prospectus Directive (and any requirements of any relevant implementing measures in a Relevant Member State), provided that any such legal entity (a Permitted Investor) is acquiring such Bonds (i) for its own account and not with a view to the Bonds being resold or placed within any Relevant Member State other than to other Permitted Investors, (ii) for the account of other Permitted Investors, or (iii) for the account of other persons or entities for whom it makes investment decisions on a wholly discretionary basis.

About STMicroelectronics

STMicroelectronics is a global leader in developing and delivering semiconductor solutions across the spectrum of microelectronics applications. An unrivalled combination of silicon and system expertise, manufacturing strength, Intellectual Property (IP) portfolio and strategic partners positions the Company at the forefront of System-on-Chip (SoC) technology and its products play a key role in enabling today's convergence markets. The Company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, on Euronext Paris and on the Milan Stock Exchange. Further information on ST can be found at <http://www.st.com>.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, STMicroelectronics N.V. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

STMicroelectronics N.V.

Date: March 15, 2006

By: /s/ CARLO FERRO

Name: Carlo Ferro
Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer