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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 (Date of earliest event reported) October 27, 2005

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 1-5823

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

CNA Center, Chicago, Illinois

Delaware

60685

36-6169860

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (312)822-5000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o 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 October 27, 2005, CNA Financial Corporation issued a press release and posted a financial supplement providing information on its results of operations for the third quarter 2005. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and the financial supplement is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K.

The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 CNA Financial Corporation press release, issued October 27, 2005, providing information on the third

quarter 2005 results of operations.

99.2 CNA Financial Corporation financial supplement, posted October 27, 2005, providing supplemental

financial information for the third quarter 2005.

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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.

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date October 27, 2005

/s/ D. Craig Mense

(Signature)

By: D. Craig Mense

Its: Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

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