PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ Form 8-K May 17, 2006

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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) May 17, 2006 THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-9518 34-0963169

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

6300 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, Ohio

44143

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 440-461-5000

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 17, 2006, The Progressive Corporation issued a news release containing financial results for the company and its subsidiaries for the month of, and year-to-date period ended, April 2006. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 17, 2006

THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Basch

Name: Jeffrey W. Basch Title: Vice President and

Chief Accounting Officer

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Reg. S-K Item		
601	No.	Description
(99)	99	News release dated May 17, 2006, containing financial results of The
		Progressive Corporation and its subsidiaries for the month of, and
		year-to-date period ended, April 2006
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