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March 07, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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) March 07, 2006

ESCALADE, INCORPRATED

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Indiana

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-6996

13-2739290

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

251 Wedcor Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992

46992

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(260) 569-7208

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 1 - Registrant's Business and Operations

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On March 6, 2006, the compensation committee met and reviewed the annual compensation of Escalade key executives. The compensation committee then met with the other independent directors and unanimously approved the following annual base salaries for 2006:

Officer	Title	Annual Base Salary
C. W. (Bill) Reed	President and CEO	\$275,000
Terry Frandsen	VP Finance, CFO	\$175,000
Robert Griffin	Chairman of Board	\$ 52,000

In the same meeting the independent directors granted stock options under the 1997 Incentive Stock Option plan to Mr. Reed in the amount of 20,000 and Mr. Frandsen in the amount of 25,000 shares. Under the terms of the option plan the options vest in equal installments over a period of four years from the date of grant. The exercise price is equal to the market closing price on the date of grant.

Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 06, 2006, the Company issued a press release announcing that an annual dividend of \$0.20 would be paid to all shareholders of record on March 17, 2006 and disbursed on March 24, 2006.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Press release dated March 06, 2006

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1934, Escalade, Incorporated has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf in Wabash, Indiana by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 07, 2006

ESCALADE, INCORPORATED

By: /s/ TERRY D. FRANSEN

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer