

GENUINE PARTS CO  
Form 8-K  
February 21, 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):

February 21, 2006

Genuine Parts Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia

001-05690

58-0254510

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2999 Circle 75 Pkwy, Atlanta, Georgia

30339

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

770.953.1700

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On February 20, 2006, the Board of Directors of Genuine Parts Company declared an increase of 8% in the regular quarterly cash dividend for 2006. The Board increased the cash dividend payable to an annual rate of \$1.35 per share compared with the previous dividend of \$1.25 per share. The quarterly cash dividend of \$.3375 cents per share is payable April 3, 2006 to shareholders of record March 10, 2006.

In addition, the Board of Directors approved the following corporate officer changes. Scott C. Smith was elected to the position of Senior Vice President – Corporate Counsel, Carol B. Yancey was elected to the position of Senior Vice President – Finance and Corporate Secretary and Sidney G. Jones was elected to the position of Vice President – Investor Relations.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated February 20, 2006

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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.

Genuine Parts Company

*February 21, 2006*

*By: Jerry W. Nix*

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*Name: Jerry W. Nix*

*Title: Vice Chairman and CFO*

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| <b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b>             |
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| 99.1                      | Press Release dated February 20, 2006 |