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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549
SCHEDULE 13G
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 5)
Principal Financial Group
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock, $0.01 Par
(Title of Class of Securities)
74251V 10 2
(CUSIP Number)
Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement [ ].
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  1
Name of Reporting Person
S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person
        Northern Trust Corporation
                                                         36-2723087
        The Northern Trust Company
                                                         36-1561860
        Northern Trust, NA
                                                         36-3190871
        Northern Trust Bank, FSB
                                                         38-3424562
        Northern Trust Investments, N.A.
                                                         36-3608252
        Northern Trust Company of Connecticut
                                                         06-6275604
        Northern Trust Global Investments (Europe) Ltd 6807764922343A00
  2
Check the appropriate box if a member of a group
        Not Applicable (a)
                (b)
  3
S.E.C. use only
  4
Citizenship or place of organization
        Northern Trust Corporation -- a Delaware corporation with principal offices
 in Chicago, Illinois
Number of Shares Beneficially owned by Each Reporting Person With
Sole Voting Power
        15,823,425
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Shared Voting Power
        1,598,259
Sole Dispositive Power
        16,885,417
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Shared Dispositive Power
        635,989
 9
Aggregate amount beneficially owned by each reporting person
        17,562,981
10
Check box if the aggregate amount in Row (9) excludes certain shares.
        Not Applicable
11
Percent of class represented by amount in Row 9
        6.51
12
Type of reporting person
        Northern Trust Corporation HC
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549
SCHEDULE 13G UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Check the following box if a fee is being paid with statement [ ].
1.
        (a)
                Principal Financial Group
                (Name of Issuer)
        (b)
                711 High Street, Des Moines, IA 50392
                (Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Office)
2.
        (a)
                Northern Trust Corporation
                (Name of Person Filing)
                50 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60675
        (b)
                (Address of Person Filing)
        (c)
                U.S. (Delaware Corporation)
                (Citizenship)
                Common Stock, $0.01 Par
        (d)
                (Title of Class of Securities)
                74251V 10 2
        (e)
                (CUSIP Number)
        This statement is being filed by Northern Trust Corporation as a
Parent Holding Company in accordance with S240.13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (G).
4.
        (a)
                17,562,981
                (Amount Beneficially Owned)
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- (b) 6.51 (Percent of Class)
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) 15,823,425 (Sole Power to Vote or to Direct the Vote)

 - (iii) 16,885,417
 (Sole Power to Dispose or Direct Disposition)
- 5. If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following: []
- 6. Statement regarding ownership of 5 percent or more on behalf of another person:
- 7. Parent Holding Company reporting on behalf of the following subsidiaries, all of which are banks as defined in Section 3(a) (6) of the Act:

The Northern Trust Company 50 South LaSalle Street Chicago, IL 60675

Northern Trust N.A. 700 Brickell Avenue Miami, FL 33131

Northern Trust Bank, FSB 10 West Long Lake Road Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304

Northern Trust Investments, N.A. 50 South LaSalle Street Chicago, IL 60675

Northern Trust Company of Connecticut 300 Atlantic Street, Suite 400 Stamford, CT 06901

Northern Trust Global Investments Europe Ltd 6 Devonshire Square, London, UK EC2M 4YE

8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable.

Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable.

10. By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

By: Orie L. Dudley

DATED: 02-08-2007 Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer

EXHIBIT TO SCHEDULE 13G AMENDMENT FILED BY NORTHERN TRUST CORPORATION Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20549-1004 Attention: Filing Desk, Stop 1-4 RE: Principal Financial Group

Pursuant to the requirement of 240.13d-1(k) (1) (iii), this exhibit shall constitute our written agreement that the Schedule 13G to which this exhibit is attached is filed on behalf of Northern Trust Corporation and of its subsidiary(ies), as stated below, regarding our respective beneficial ownership in the above-captioned equity security.

NORTHERN TRUST CORPORATION

By: Orie L. Dudley

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer DATED: 02-08-2007

The NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY NORTHERN TRUST INVESTMENTS, N.A. NORTHERN TRUST GLOBAL INVESTMENTS EUROPE LTD

By: Orie L. Dudley

Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer

NORTHERN TRUST NA

By: Quentin C. Johnson

As its Authorized Representative

NORTHERN TRUST BANK, FSB

By: Brian J. Hofmann

As its Authorized Representative

NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY OF CONNECTICUT

By: Trista D Simoncek As its Vice President

Exhibit 1 to Schedule 13G Filed by Northern Trust Corporation

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

The undersigned certifies that the undersigned is the duly appointed, qualified and acting Secretary or Assistant Secretary of Northern Trust Corporation, as indicated below, and that the following resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of Northern Trust Corporation on April 18, 2006 and remains in full force and effect:

RESOLVED, that each of the 'Executive Officers' of Northern Trust Corporation (the 'Corporation'), as that term is defined in Rule 3b-7 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and each of the following other officers of the Corporation, is hereby authorized to sign, on behalf of the Corporation, any Statements on Schedule 13G, and any amendments to such Statements, required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Corporation with respect to any securities beneficially owned by the Corporation and any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries:

Orie L. Dudley, Jr. Peter J. Flood James D. McDonald

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate on February 13, 2007.

/s/ Rose A. Ellis Rose A. Ellis Secretary Northern Trust Corporation