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Principal Life Insurance Company

Principal[®] Life CoreNotes[®] (Callable) (That are also Asset-Backed Securities) Issued Through and Obligations of Principal Life Income Fundings Trust 2006-41 (the "Trust" and "Issuing Entity")

The description of this pricing supplement of the particular terms of the Principal[®] Life CoreNotes[®] offered hereby, and the Funding Agreement (specified below) issued by Principal Life Insurance Company ("Principal Life") to the Trust, the payment obligations of which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Guarantee (specified below) issued by Principal Financial Group, Inc. to the Trust, supplements the description of the general terms and provisions of the notes, the funding agreements and the guarantees set forth in the accompanying prospectus and prospectus supplement, to which reference is hereby made.

1. The Notes

Principal Amount:	TBD	Purchasing Agent Discount:	1.000%	
Issue Price:	100.0%	Original Issue Date:	7/6/2006	
Net Proceeds to the Trust:	TBD	Stated Maturity Date:	7/15/2011	
Interest Payment Dates:	The 15th day of every sixth month commencing on 1/15/2007			
Initial Interest Payment Date:	1/15/2007			
Regular Record Date:	15 calendar days prior to the Interest Payment Date			
Type of Interest Rate:	⊠ Fixed Rate	o Floating Rate		
Interest Rate:	5.80%			
Discount Note:	o Yes	⊠ No.		
Terms of Survivor's Option: Annual Put Limitation: Individual Put Limitation:		⊠ \$2,000,000 or 2%; or o \$or_%		
Trust Put Limitation:		o \$ ⊠ 2%; or \$		
Redemption Provisions: Initial Redemption Date: Redemption: Additional Other Terms:	☑ Yes7/15/2007☑ In whole only are o May be in wholeAny redemption day		Redemption Date	
Repayment:	o Yes	⊠ No.		
Authorized Denominations:	\$1,000			

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Ratings:

The Notes issued under the Program are rated AA by Standard & Poor's ("S&P"). Principal Life expects the Notes to be rated Aa2 by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's")

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Purchasing Agent(s) Purchasing Notes as Principal:	⊠ Yes	o No.	If, Yes,			
Purchasing Agent(s)			Principal Amount			
Merrill Lynch			TBD			
Total:			TBD			
State of Organization of the Trust:	New York					
Additional/Other Terms:	None					
2. The Funding Agreement						
Funding Agreement Issuer:	Principal Life Insura	ance Company				
Funding Agreement No.:	6-13518					
Deposit:	TBD					
Net Deposit:	TBD					
Effective Date:	7/6/2006					
Stated Maturity Date:	7/15/2011	7/15/2011				
Interest Payment Dates:	The 15th day of ever	ry sixth month commen	cing on 1/15/2007			
Initial Interest Payment Date:	1/15/2007					
Type of Interest Rate:	⊠ Fixed Rate	o Floating Rate				
Interest Rate:	5.80%					
Discount Funding Agreement:	o Yes	⊠ No.				
Terms of Survivor's Option: Annual Put Limitation:		⊠ \$2,000,000 or 2%;	or			
Individual Put Limitation:		o \$or_% ⊠ \$250,000; or				
Trust Put Limitation:		o \$ ⊠ 2%; or \$				
Redemption: Initial Redemption Date: Redemption: Additional Other Terms:	☑ Yes7/15/2007☑ In whole only and o May be in whole of Any redemption date	o No. d not in part or in part	If, Yes, ment Date falling on or after the Initial Redemption			
Repayment:	o Yes	⊠ No.				
Ratings:						
The Funding Agreement issued under the Program Principal Life expects the Funding Agreement to be		S.				
Additional/Other Terms:	None					
3. The Guarantee						

Principal Financial Group, Inc.

7/6/2006

None

Additional/Other Terms:

Guarantee Issuer:

Effective Date: