Pricing Supplement Dated 8/1/2006 (To Prospectus dated February 16, 2006, and Prospectus Supplement dated February 16, 2006) Filed pursuant to ⊠ Rule 424(b)(2) o Rule 424(b)(5) Registration Statement Nos.

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## Principal Life Insurance Company

Principal<sup>®</sup> Life CoreNotes<sup>®</sup> (Callable) (That are also Asset-Backed Securities) Issued Through and Obligations of Principal Life Income Fundings Trust 2006-48 (the "Trust" and "Issuing Entity")

The description of this pricing supplement of the particular terms of the Principal<sup>®</sup> Life CoreNotes<sup>®</sup> 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:	1.300%		
Issue Price:	100.0%	Original Issue Date:	8/9/2006		
Net Proceeds to the Trust:	TBD	Stated Maturity Date:	8/15/2014		
Interest Payment Dates:	The 15th day of e	very sixth month commencing on 2/15/2007			
Initial Interest Payment Date:	2/15/2007				
Regular Record Date:	15 calendar days	15 calendar days prior to the Interest Payment Date			
Type of Interest Rate:	⊠ Fixed Rate	o Floating Rate			
Interest Rate:	5.85%				
Discount Note:	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 Provisions: Initial Redemption Date: Redemption:	<ul><li>☑ Yes</li><li>8/15/2008</li><li>☑ In whole only o May be in whol</li></ul>				
Additional Other Terms:	Any redemption of	Any redemption date will be an Interest Payment Date falling on or after the Initial 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").

•	chasing Notes as Principal:	× Yes		If, Ye	PS.	
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	Merrill Lynch				TBD	
	Total:			-	TBD	
State of Organization of		New York		-		
Additional/Other Terms:						
		None				
2. The Funding Agreem						
Funding Agreement Issu	er:	Principal Life Inst	irance Company			
Funding Agreement No.:	:	6-13532				
Deposit:		TBD				
Net Deposit:		TBD				
Effective Date:		8/9/2006				
Stated Maturity Date:		8/15/2014				
Interest Payment Dates:		The 15th day of ev	The 15th day of every sixth month commencing on 2/15/2007			
Initial Interest Payment I	Date:	2/15/2007				
Type of Interest Rate:		⊠ Fixed Rate	o Floating Rat	e		
Interest Rate:		5.85%				
Discount Funding Agree	ment:	o Yes	⊠ No.			
Terms of Survivor's Opti Annual Put Limit Individual Put Lin Trust Put Limitati	mitation:		⊠ \$2,000,000 o \$ ⊠ \$250,000; c o \$ ⊠ 2%; or \$	_or_% or		
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Repayment:		o Yes	⊠ No.			
Ratings:						
	ment issued under the Program ets the Funding Agreement to b		y's.			
Additional/Other Terms:		None				
3. The Guarantee						

Principal Financial Group, Inc.

8/9/2006

None

Additional/Other Terms:

Guarantee Issuer:

Effective Date: