## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>TALLETT ELIZEBETH E</u>					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 711 HIGH STREET				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2006										Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)			
(Street) DES MC	DINES IA	A !	50392		4. If	Amer	Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person					.
(City)	(S	state) (	(Zip)			Form filed by More than One Repor Person								rting					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D			Execution Date			Code (Instr. 5)				4 and Securit		ies For cially (D) Following (I) (		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		ce	Transac	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			,			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
			ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivativ			rative rities ired r osed )	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		D S (I	. Price of Perivative Pecurity Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Ex Da	piration tte	Title	Amou or Numb of Share:	er					
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	08/15/2006			A		4.6		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	4.6		\$53.82	1,401.4 <sup>(3</sup>	3)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. The reported phantom stock units were acquired pursuant to the Principal Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors and will be settled on the reporting person's retirement.
- 3. Corrects previously inaccurate total.

## Remarks:

Joyce N. Hoffman, by Power of Attorney

08/17/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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