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: DECEMBER 31, 2006 (Date of earliest event reported)

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 1-16725 42-1520346 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission file number) (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) Identification Number)

711 HIGH STREET, DES MOINES, IOWA 50392 (Address of principal executive offices)

(515) 247-5111 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Principal Financial Group, Inc. (NYSE: PFG) today announced that it has completed the acquisition of WM Advisors, Inc. and its subsidiaries, effective December 31, 2006, from Washington Mutual, Inc. (NYSE:WM).

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

By: /S/THOMAS J. GRAF

Name: Thomas J. Graf Title: Senior Vice President - Investor Relations Date: December 31, 2006

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