Pricing Supplement Dated 5/2/2006 (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 No. 333-129763 and 333-129763-01

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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 2006-22 (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:	1.200%
Issue Price:	100.0%	Original Issue Date:	5/10/2006
Net Proceeds to the Trust:	TBD	Stated Maturity Date:	5/15/2013

Interest Payment Dates:	The 15th day of every sixth month commencing on 11/15/2006			
Initial Interest Payment Date:	11/15/2006			
Regular Record Date:	15 calendar days prior to the Interest Payment Date			
Type of Interest Rate:	⊠ Fixed Rate	o Floating Rate		
Interest Rate:	5.75%			
Discount Note:	o Yes	🖾 No.		
Terms of Survivor's Option: Annual Put Limitation: Individual Put Limitation: Trust Put Limitation:		⊠ \$2,000,000 or 2%; or o \$or_% ⊠ \$250,000; or o \$ ⊠ 2%; or \$		
Redemption Provisions: Initial Redemption Date: Redemption: Additional Other Terms:	<ul> <li>☑ Yes</li> <li>5/15/2007</li> <li>☑ In whole only and ne of May be in whole or ir Any redemption date whether the other of the other o</li></ul>	n part	If, Yes, ate 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").

Purchasing Agent(s) Purc	chasing Notes as Princi	pal: 🛛 🖾 Yes	i o 1	No.	If Yes:
Purchasing Agent(s)				Principal Amount	
	Merrill Lynch				TBD
	Total:				TBD
State of Organization of t	he Trust:	New York			
Additional/Other Terms:		None			
2. <u>The Funding Agreem</u>	ent				
Funding Agreement Issue	er:	Principal Life Insurance Company			
Funding Agreement No.:		8-02928			
Deposit:		TBD			
Net Deposit:		TBD			
Effective Date:		5/10/2006			
Stated Maturity Date:		5/15/2013			
Interest Payment Dates:		The 15th day of every sixth month commencing on 11/15/2006			
Initial Interest Payment D	ate:	11/15/2006			
Type of Interest Rate:		$\boxtimes$ Fixed Rate	o Floating F	Rate	
Interest Rate:		5.75%			
Discount Funding Agreen	nent:	o Yes	🗵 No.		
Terms of Survivor's Optio Annual Put Limitat			⊠ \$2,000,0 o \$_	100 or 2%; or or_%	
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Trust Put Limitatio	n:		0		
Redemption: Initial Redemption Redemption:	Date:	<ul> <li>☑ Yes</li> <li>5/15/2007</li> <li>☑ In whole only and not</li> <li>o May be in whole or in r</li> </ul>			lf, Yes,
Additional Other T	erms:	o May be in whole or in part Any redemption date will be an Interest Payment Date falling on or after the Initial Redemption Date			
Repayment:		o Yes	🖾 No.		
Ratings:					
The Funding Agreement issued under the Program is rated AA by S&P. Principal Life expects the Funding Agreement to be rated Aa2 by Moody's.					
Additional/Other Terms:		None			
3. <u>The Guarantee</u>					
Guarantee Issuer:		Principal Financial Group, Inc.			
Effective Date:		5/10/2006			
Additional/Other Terms:		None			