ASSURANT INC Form 8-K January 23, 2006

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UNITED STATES 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: January 20, 2006 **Assurant, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-31978 39-1126612

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Chase Manhattan Plaza, 41st Floor New York, New York

10005

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 859-7000

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

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SIGNATURE

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On January 23, 2006, Assurant, Inc. issued a press release entitled Assurant CEO J. Kerry Clayton to Retire; Robert B. Pollock, President, Named CEO and Appointed Director Effective March 17, 2006. The text of the press release, which is attached hereto at Exhibit 99.1, is incorporated by reference into this Item.

Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated January 23, 2006.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

ASSURANT, INC.

Date: January 23, 2006 By: /s/ Raj Dave

Name: Raj Dave

Title: Vice President and Assistant

General Counsel

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