TENET HEALTHCARE CORP Form 8-K May 09, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: May 8, 2006

(Date of earliest event reported)

TENET HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State of Incorporation)

1-7293 (Commission File Number) 95-2557091 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

13737 Noel Road

Dallas, Texas 75240

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

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(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 8, 2006, Tenet Healthcare Corporation issued a press release commenting on news that the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services may exclude Alvarado Hospital Medical Center in San Diego and the Tenet subsidiary that owns the hospital from participation in Medicare, Medicaid and other federal health care programs.

A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TENET HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

By: /s/ E. Peter Urbanowicz

E. Peter Urbanowicz General Counsel

Date: May 8, 2006

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99.1 Press Release Issued on May 8, 2006

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