HERCULES INC Form 8-K April 20, 2006

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 (Date of earliest event reported): April 20, 2006

Hercules Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-00496

51-0023450

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

Hercules Plaza 1313 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19894-0001

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(302) 594-5000

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Hercules Incorporated ("Hercules") today held its Annual Shareholders meeting at its Corporate Headquarters in Wilmington, Delaware.

During the meeting, Craig A. Rogerson, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented on preliminary earnings and estimated financial performance for the first quarter of 2006. Hercules will finalize and release earnings on April 26, 2006 and hold an earnings conference call on April 27, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. EDST.

A copy of the news release related to the Annual Shareholders meeting, which was issued concurrently with Mr. Rogerson's comments, is attached as an Exhibit to this Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

In addition, a copy of the script and related slides presented at the meeting are available on Hercules' website at www.herc.com.

c. Exhibits.

99.1 News Release of Hercules Incorporated dated April 20, 2006

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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.

April 20, 2006 By: HERCULES INCORPORATED

/s/ Allen A. Spizzo Allen A. Spizzo Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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