

ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO  
Form 8-K  
May 08, 2006

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

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**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) May 5, 2006**

**ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-44**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**41-0129150**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**4666 Faries Parkway**  
**Decatur, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**62526**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(217) 424-5200**

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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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On May 5, 2006, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Archer-Daniels-Midland Company approved a Transition Agreement (the “Agreement”) providing for an orderly transition of Mr. G. Allen Andreas’ duties and responsibilities as President and Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”), in connection with Mr. Andreas’ resignation as President and CEO and documenting the terms and conditions pertaining to his continuing duties and responsibilities as a Director and Chairman of the Board. The Agreement is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and the terms thereof are incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits The following exhibits are filed herewith:

- 10.1 Transition Agreement dated as of May 5, 2006 between Archer-Daniels-Midland Company and G. Allen Andreas.
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**SIGNATURES**

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.

ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY

Date: May 8, 2006

By /s/ David J. Smith  
David J. Smith  
Executive Vice President, Secretary and  
General Counsel

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit	Description	Method of Filing
10.1	Transition Agreement dated as of May 5, 2006 between Archer-Daniels-Midland Company and G. Allen Andreas.	Filed Electronically