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

SCHEDULE 14A  
PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
(AMENDMENT NO. )

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ESCALADE, INCORPORATED  
(NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

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ESCALADE, INCORPORATED  
251 Wedcor Avenue  
Wabash, Indiana 46992

2006 Annual Stockholders' Meeting  
Supplement to Proxy Statement

Dear Stockholder:

On April 19, 2006, C.W. (Bill) Reed informed the Board of Directors of Escalade, Incorporated of his intent to retire from all positions with Escalade, its subsidiaries and affiliates, effective July 17, 2006. In anticipation of his retirement and to facilitate the management transition, Mr. Reed retired as Escalade's President and Chief Executive Officer and as a member of its Board of Directors, effective April 19, 2006. Mr. Reed also withdrew his proposed nomination to be elected as a director of Escalade at Escalade's Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 22, 2006.

Upon Mr. Reed's retirement as a director of Escalade, Escalade's Board of Directors reduced the size of the Board to six directors as permitted pursuant to the terms of its Bylaws, effective immediately. Because Mr. Reed will not be nominated for election as a director at the Annual Meeting, only the nominees named in Escalade's proxy statement other than Mr. Reed will be nominated for election as directors at the Annual Meeting. The size of the Board of Directors will remain at six members following the Annual Meeting until such later time as the Board may determine. The Board has named Robert E. Griffin, Blaine E. Matthews, Jr. and Keith P. Williams as proxy holders for Escalade, or any of them, each with power of substitution, with the power to vote all proxies solicited pursuant to Escalade's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 14, 2006.

Any stockholder of record who may desire to revoke or change a previously executed proxy may do so at any time before it is voted, by written notice to Escalade's Secretary, by execution of a later dated proxy, or by a personal vote at the Annual Meeting. Copies of Escalade's proxy statement relating to the Annual Meeting are available on the Securities and Exchange Commission's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or by contacting Escalade at (260) 569-7208.

By order of the Board of Directors

TERRY D. FRANDBEN

V.P. Finance, CFO & Secretary

Wabash, Indiana

April 19, 2006