

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC
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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of June, 2006.

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

ONTARIO, CANADA

(Province or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

5310 Explorer Drive, Suite 200, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L4W 5H8

(Address of principal executive offices)

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:]

Form 20-F Form 40-F

[Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:]

Yes No

[If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):]

N/A

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

Dated: June 15, 2006

By: /s/ W. Shaun Jackson
 W. Shaun Jackson
 Executive Vice President and
 Chief Financial Officer

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STANDARD & POOR S REAFFIRMS KINGSWAY S FINANCIAL STRENGTH RATING

Toronto, Ontario (June 13, 2006) (TSX:KFS, NYSE:KFS) Kingsway Financial Services Inc. announced that Standard & Poors (S&P) has reaffirmed the BBB- long-term counterparty credit and senior unsecured debt ratings of Kingsway Financial Services Inc. and its U.S. holding company, Kingsway America Inc. The outlook is stable according to S&P.

S&P commented that the ratings reflects Kingsway s strong business position in non-standard auto, trucking, and motorcycle insurance, disciplined underwriting, and strong distribution channels. Kingsway s financial results for 2005 continued their favourable trend of several years.

We are pleased that S&P continues to recognize the financial strength and strong business position of our company , said Bill Star, President & Chief Executive Officer. Our underwriting discipline and consistency of results is key to our business plan going forward.

About the Company

Kingsway Financial Services Inc. is the largest truck insurer in North America and the seventh largest non-standard automobile insurer in North America according to A.M. Best. Kingsway s primary business is trucking insurance and the insuring of automobile risks for drivers who do not meet the criteria for coverage by standard automobile insurers. The Company currently operates through eleven wholly-owned insurance subsidiaries in Canada and the U.S. Canadian subsidiaries include Kingsway General Insurance Company, York Fire & Casualty Insurance Company and Jevco Insurance Company. U.S. subsidiaries include Universal Casualty Company, American Service Insurance Company, Southern United Fire Insurance Company, Lincoln General Insurance Company, U.S. Security Insurance Company, American Country Insurance Company, Zephyr Insurance Company and Avalon Risk Management, Inc. The Company also operates reinsurance subsidiaries in Barbados and Bermuda.

Lincoln General Insurance Company, Universal Casualty Insurance Company, American Service Insurance Company, Southern United Fire Insurance Company, Jevco Insurance Company, Kingsway Reinsurance Corporation, Barbados and Kingsway Reinsurance (Bermuda) Ltd. all rated A- (Excellent) by A.M. Best. Kingsway General and York Fire are rated B++ (Very Good) and American Country and U.S. Security are rated B+ (Very Good) by A.M. Best. The Company s senior debt is rated investment grade BBB- (stable) by Standard and Poor s and A.M. Best and BBB (stable) by Dominion Bond Rating Services. The common shares of Kingsway Financial Services Inc. are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange, under the trading symbol KFS .

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