

JEFFERSON PILOT CORP  
Form 425  
February 28, 2006

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**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**

February 27, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**Lincoln National Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Indiana**  
(State or other jurisdiction

**1-6028**  
(Commission

**35-1140070**  
(IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

**1500 Market Street, West Tower, Suite 3900, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102-2112**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(215) 448-1400**

(Registrant's telephone number)

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:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On February 27, 2006, Lincoln National Corporation ( LNC ) and Jefferson-Pilot Corporation ( Jefferson-Pilot ) distributed to Jefferson-Pilot s shareholders the attached Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and related materials in connection with the merger of Jefferson-Pilot into a subsidiary of LNC. The transaction is subject to required regulatory approvals, the applicable approvals of LNC and Jefferson-Pilot shareholders and customary closing conditions, and is expected to close in early April 2006.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are included with this Form 8-K.

**Exhibit**

| <b>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
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| 99.1          | Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and related materials. |

**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.

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORPORATION

By /s/ Douglas N. Miller  
Name: Douglas N. Miller  
Title: Vice President, Controller and  
Chief Accounting Officer

Date: February 27, 2006

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