UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): January 17, 2006

McDONALD'S CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-5231** (Commission File Number) **36-2361282** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One McDonald's Plaza Oak Brook, Illinois (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60523

(Zip Code)

(630) 623-3000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 17, 2006, McDonald s Corporation (the "Company") issued an investor release reporting certain sales information for the month, quarter and year ended December 31, 2005, and preliminary earnings per share for the Fourth Quarter 2005. The investor release is furnished as Exhibit 99 and is attached hereto.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)Exhibits.99Investor Release of McDonald s Corporation issued January 17, 2006:McDonald s Delivers Strong December Comparable Sales

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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.

McDONALD'S CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: January 18, 2006

By:

<u>/s/ Peter J. Bensen</u> Peter J. Bensen Corporate Vice President -Assistant Controller

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Exhibit No. 99Investor Release of McDonald s Corporation issued January 17, 2006:
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