

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: DECEMBER 31, 2006  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| DELAWARE                                          | 1-16725                  | 42-1520346                                 |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission file number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification Number) |

**711 HIGH STREET, DES MOINES, IOWA 50392**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(515) 247-5111  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

Principal Financial Group, Inc. (NYSE: PFG) today announced that it has completed the acquisition of WM Advisors, Inc. and its subsidiaries, effective December 31, 2006, from Washington Mutual, Inc. (NYSE:WM).

**SIGNATURE**

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.

**PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.**

*By: /S/THOMAS J. GRAF*

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*Name: Thomas J. Graf*

*Title: Senior Vice President - Investor  
Relations*

*Date: December 31, 2006*

