

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Signatures

Joyce N. Hoffman, by Power of Attorney

12/19/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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