

BOWNE & CO INC  
Form 8-K  
December 20, 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

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

December 14, 2006

**Bowne & Co., Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-05842

13-2618477

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

55 Water Street, New York, New York

10041

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

212-924-5500

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

A. Bowne & Co., Inc. (NYSE: BNE) announced that its Board of Directors unanimously elected Marcia J. Hooper a Director of the Company effective December 14, 2006. Ms. Hooper becomes the 12th member of the Board. Ms. Hooper shall be entitled to receive standard compensation to Board members for service on the Board of Directors as described in the Company's proxy statement for the annual meeting of stockholders on May 25, 2006. Ms. Hooper has been granted 1,913 of Bowne's deferred stock units pursuant to the standard Bowne & Co. Inc. Stock Plan for Independent Directors, which is also described in the proxy statement. A copy of the press release issued regarding Ms. Hooper's appointment to the Board of Directors is filed as exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

B. As part of succession plan as announced July 10, 2006, Philip E. Kucera will retire from the Company effective December 31, 2006. Mr Kucera will continue to serve as a member of the Bowne Board of Directors. As part of his retirement, the Board of Directors approved the accelerated vesting of 13,334 Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) as of December 31, 2006. These RSUs were scheduled to vest October 27, 2007.

C. Also as announced July 10, 2006, President and Chief Operating Officer David J. Shea will become Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer immediately upon Mr. Kucera's retirement. The Board of Directors approved the grant to Mr. Shea of 20,000 RSUs to vest over three (3) years, his base salary increased to \$575,000, his annual incentive award target increased to 120% of base salary and he received a stock option grant of 110,000 options which will vest over 4 years and have a 7-year term to expiration.

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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.

Bowne & Co., Inc.

*December 14, 2006*

By: *Scott L. Spitzer*

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*Name: Scott L. Spitzer*

*Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary*

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<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
99.1	Marcia J. Hooper Joins Bowne & Co., Inc. Board of Directors