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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): January 30, 2006 <u>THE DUN & BRADSTREET CORPORATION</u>

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-15967 22-3725387

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

103 JFK Parkway, Short Hills, New Jersey

07078

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(973) 921-5500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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PURPOSE OF FILING

The purpose of this filing is to report to you actions taken by our Compensation and Benefits Committee with respect to the 2006 annual base salary compensation of certain of our named executive officers, as defined in Item 402(a)(3) of Regulation S-K.

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Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 30, 2006, the Compensation and Benefits Committee approved, with respect to the Company s named executive officers, the following annual base salary increases:

Name and Position:	2005 Base Salary:	2006 Base Salary:
Mr. Steven Alesio Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	\$750,000	\$800,000
Ms. Sara Mathew Chief Financial Officer and President, D&B International	\$450,000	\$500,000
Mr. James Burke Senior Vice President, Global Solutions	\$300,000	\$360,000

Senior Vice President, Global Solutions and Chief Marketing Officer

Base salary is just one element of the Company s compensation program for executive officers. A description of the Company s compensation program elements can be found in the Company s Proxy Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 24, 2005 and in future Proxy Statement filings with the SEC.

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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.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation

By: /s/ David J. Lewinter
David J. Lewinter
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

DATE: February 3, 2006

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