RENAL CARE GROUP INC Form 8-K February 22, 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): **February 22, 2006 RENAL CARE GROUP, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 0-27640 62-1622383

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

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

2525 West End Avenue Suite 600 Nashville, TN 37203

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(615) 345-5500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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:

- "Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- "Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- "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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 22, 2006, Renal Care Group, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release reporting its preliminary financial results for the year ended December 31, 2005. A copy of that press release is furnished with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information included or incorporated in this report, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated February 22, 2006, announcing the Company s preliminary financial results for the year ended December 31, 2005.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

RENAL CARE GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ David M. Dill David M. Dill

Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

Dated: February 22, 2006

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NO. DESCRIPTION

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