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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 17, 2006

INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAGRANCES INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New York 1-4858 13-1432060
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

521 West 57th Street, New York, New York
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (212) 765-5500

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- 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))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On January 17, 2006, International Flavors and Fragrances Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that in connection with the Company s management succession planning, Richard A. Goldstein will retire from his position as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company following the Company s 2006 annual meeting of shareholders scheduled for May 9, 2006.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

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In connection with the matters disclosed under Item 5.02, a copy of the press release concerning this is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Document

99.1 Press Release issued by International Flavors and

Fragrances Inc. on January 17, 2006.

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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.

INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAGRANCES INC.

Dated: January 17, 2006 By: /s/ Dennis M. Meany

Name: Dennis M. Meany

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

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