

Rockwood Holdings, Inc.
Form 8-K
March 16, 2006

**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) **March 15, 2006**

Rockwood Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-32609
(Commission
File Number)

52-2277366
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**100 Overlook Center
Princeton, New Jersey 08540**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(609) 514-0300

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13.e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On March 16, 2006, Rockwood Holdings, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Cynthia A. Niekamp was appointed to its Board of Directors effective as of March 15, 2006. Ms. Niekamp will fill the board vacancy created by Edward A. Gilhuly's resignation from the Board of Directors which was effective on February 14, 2006. Ms. Niekamp will join the Board of Directors as an independent director and will serve on the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Ms. Niekamp and any other person pursuant to which Ms. Niekamp was elected as director of the Company.

There are no relationships or transactions in which Ms. Niekamp has or will have an interest, or was or is a party, requiring disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press Release dated March 16, 2006. |

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.

ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ MICHAEL W. VALENTE
Name: Michael W. Valente
Title: Assistant Secretary

Dated: March 16, 2006