

STATE STREET CORP
Form 8-K
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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 4, 2007**

State Street Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State of Incorporation)

001-07511
(Commission File Number)

04-2456637
(IRS Employer Identification
Number)

One Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

02111
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 786-3000**

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On February 5, 2007, State Street Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation (**State Street**), and Investors Financial Services Corp., a Delaware corporation (**Investors Financial**), announced that they had entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the **Merger Agreement**). The Merger Agreement provides that, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, Investors Financial will merge with and into State Street (the **Merger**), with State Street continuing as the surviving corporation.

A copy of the joint press release of State Street and Investors Financial announcing the execution of the Merger Agreement is included herein as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

This document and the attached exhibits contain forward-looking statements as defined by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements about the financial outlook and business environment. Those statements are based on current assumptions, forecasts and expectations and involve a number of risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual outcomes and results to differ materially from those results. These risks and uncertainties include the ability to obtain regulatory and Investors Financial shareholder approval, the risk that businesses will not be integrated successfully, or will take longer than anticipated, that expected cost savings will not be achieved or unexpected costs will be incurred, that customer retention goals will not be met, that disruptions from the transaction will harm relationships with customers, employees and regulators, the pace at which State Street adds new clients or at which existing clients use additional services, the value of global and regional financial markets, the pace of cross-border investment activity, changes in interest rates, the pace of worldwide economic growth and rates of inflation, the extent of volatility in currency markets, consolidations among clients and competitors, State Street's business mix, the dynamics of markets State Street serves, and State Street's success at integrating and converting acquisitions into its business. Other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by any forward-looking statements, are set forth in State Street's 2005 annual report on Form 10-K, particularly in Item 1A, Risk Factors, and State Street's subsequent SEC filings which should be read before making any investment decision. The forward-looking statements contained in this document speak only as of the date hereof, February 5, 2007, and State Street will not undertake efforts to revise those forward-looking statements to reflect events after this date.

State Street intends to file with the SEC a registration statement that will include the proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents to be mailed to security holders of Investors Financial in connection with the proposed transaction. **WE URGE INVESTORS TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT STATE STREET, INVESTORS FINANCIAL AND THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION.** A definitive proxy statement/prospectus will be sent to security holders of Investors Financial seeking approval of the proposed transaction. Investors will be able to obtain these materials (when they are available) and other documents filed with the SEC free of charge at the SEC's website, www.sec.gov. In addition, a copy of the proxy statement/prospectus (when it becomes available) may be obtained free of charge by directing a request to State Street Corporation, One Lincoln Street, Boston MA 02110, Attention: Office of the General Counsel; or by directing a request to Investors Financial Services Corporation, 200 Clarendon Street, Boston MA 02116, Attention: Office of the General Counsel.

This communication is not a solicitation of a proxy from any security holder of Investors Financial or an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. No offering of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Investors Financial, its directors and executive officers and certain other persons may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Information regarding

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Investors Financial's directors and executive officers is available in the proxy statement filed with the SEC by Investors Financial on March 10, 2006. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be contained in the proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC when they become available.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release issued jointly by State Street Corporation and Investors Financial Services Corporation, dated February 5, 2007.

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.

STATE STREET CORPORATION

Date: February 5, 2007

by: /s/ David C. Phelan
Name: David C. Phelan
Title: Executive Vice President and General Counsel