CNA FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K January 16, 2007

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 12, 2007 CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-5823

36-6169860

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

60604

333 S. Wabash, Chicago, Illinois

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (312) 822-5000 Not Applicable

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

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On January 12, 2007, the Registrant issued a press release announcing a consolidation of its insurance company structure effective December 31, 2006. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K. The information under Item 7.01 and in Exhibit 99.1 in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed

filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information under Item 7.01 and in Exhibit 99.1 in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS (c) Exhibits:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 CNA Financial Corporation press release, issued January 12, 2007 (furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K).

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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.

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

/s/ D. Craig Mense

(Signature) By: D. Craig Mense Its: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Dated: January 12, 2007

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