

FORTUNE BRANDS INC  
Form 8-K  
February 23, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, DC 20549**

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**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 23, 2006

**Fortune Brands, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

**1-9076**  
(Commission

File Number)  
**520 Lake Cook Road**

**Deerfield, IL 60015**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**847-484-4400**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**13-3295276**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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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**INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT**

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On February 23, 2006, Fortune Brands, Inc. will present to security analysts objectives and strategies for building shareholder value and is furnishing its press release dated February 23, 2006 which reaffirmed its earnings guidance for the first quarter and the full year. Pursuant to General Instruction B.2., the information set forth in Item 7.01 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The company is furnishing this Form 8-K to give broad disclosure to such information.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d)

99.1 Analyst Presentation dated February 23, 2006 is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01.

99.2 Press Release dated February 23, 2006 is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01.

**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.

FORTUNE BRANDS, INC.

(Registrant)

By /s/ Mark A. Roche

Name: Mark A. Roche

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

Date: February 23, 2006

**Exhibit Index**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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