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): May 19, 2006

PERRY ELLIS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida (State or other jurisdiction 0-21764 (Commission File Number) 59-1162998 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

3000 N.W. 107th Avenue

Miami, Florida (Address of principal executive offices)

33172 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (305) 592-2830

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

On May 19, 2006, the Board of Directors of Perry Ellis International, Inc. (the Company) appointed Mr. Joe Arriola to serve on the Company s Board of Directors in the class of directors whose term expires in 2008.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Arriola and any other person pursuant to which he was selected as a director, nor are there any transactions between Mr. Arriola and the Company that would be required to be reported pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K as promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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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.

PERRY ELLIS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: May 25, 2006 By: /s/ Rosemary B. Trudeau

Name: Rosemary B. Trudeau

Title: VP Finance