LABRANCHE & CO INC
Form 8-K
January 24, 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) **January 24, 2006**

# LaBRANCHE & CO INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

| **Delaware** | **001-15251** | **13-4064735** |
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| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

| **One Exchange Plaza, New York, New York** | **10006** |
|---|---|
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: **(212) 425-1144**

**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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On January 24, 2006, LaBranche & Co Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2005. A copy of this press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report, including the news release attached hereto, is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to liabilities of that Section.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by LaBranche & Co Inc. dated January 24, 2006.

All other Items of this report are inapplicable.

**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.

Date: January 24, 2006 LaBRANCHE & CO INC.

By: /s/ JEFFREY M. CHERTOFF
Name: Jeffrey M. Chertoff
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| Exhibit No. | Description of Exhibit |
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| 99.1 | Press release issued by LaBranche & Co Inc. dated January 24, 2006. |