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(To Prospectus dated February 16, 2006, and		Registration Statement Nos.	333-129763 and
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Principal Life Insurance Company

Principal[®] Life CoreNotes[®] (Callable) (That are also Asset-Backed Securities) Issued Through and Obligations of Principal Life Income Fundings Trust 2006-70 (the Trust and Issuing Entity)

The description of this pricing supplement of the particular terms of the Principal[®] Life CoreNotes[®] offered hereby, and the Funding Agreement (specified below) issued by Principal Life Insurance Company (Principal Life) to the Trust, the payment obligations of which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Guarantee (specified below) issued by Principal Financial Group, Inc. to the Trust, supplements the description of the general terms and provisions of the notes, the funding agreements and the guarantees set forth in the accompanying prospectus and prospectus supplement, to which reference is hereby made.

1. The Notes

Principal Amount:		TBD	Purchasing Agent Discount:	1.200%
Issue Price:	10	00.0%	Original Issue Date:	10/12/2006
Net Proceeds to the Trust:		TBD	Stated Maturity Date:	10/15/2013
Interest Payment Dates:	The 15th day	of every sixth	month commencing on 4/15/2007	
Initial Interest Payment Date:	4/15/2007			
Regular Record Date:	15 calendar days prior to the Interest Payment Date			
Type of Interest Rate:	x Fixed Rate	o Floating Ra	ate	
Interest Rate:	5.45%			
Discount Note:	o Yes	x No.		
Terms of Survivor s Option: Annual Put Limitation:		x \$2,000,000 o \$		
Individual Put Limitation:		x \$250,000; o o \$	or	
Trust Put Limitation:		x 2%; or \$		

Redemption Provisions: Initial Redemption Date:	x Yes 10/15/2008	o No.	If, Yes,
Redemption:		nly and not in	
Additional Other Terms:	o May be in Any redempt	whole or in part ion date will be a al Redemption D	n Interest Payment Date falling on or ate
Repayment:	o Yes	x No.	
Authorized Denominations:	\$1,000		
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Ratings:

The Notes issued under the Program are rated AA by Standard & Poor s (S&P). Principal Life expects the Notes to be rated Aa2 by Moody s Investors Service, Inc. (Moody s).

Purchasing Agent(s) Purchasing Notes as x Yes o No. If, Yes, Principal:

Purchasing Agent(s)			Principal Amount
Merrill Lynch			TBD
Total:			TBD
State of Organization of the Trust:	New York		
Additional/Other Terms:	None		
2. <u>The Funding Agreement</u>			
Funding Agreement Issuer:	Principal Life	Insurance Company	
Funding Agreement No.:	8-03340		
Deposit:	TBD		
Net Deposit:	TBD		
Effective Date:	10/12/2006		
Stated Maturity Date:	10/15/2013		
Interest Payment Dates:	The 15th day of	of every sixth month commencing of	on 4/15/2007
Initial Interest Payment Date:	4/15/2007		
Type of Interest Rate:	x Fixed Rate	o Floating Rate	
Interest Rate:	5.45%		
Discount Funding Agreement:	o Yes	x No.	

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Redemption:		nly and not in p		
	•	whole or in part		
Additional Other Terms:	•		an Interest Payment Date falling on or	
	after the Init	ial Redemption	Date	
Denovment	o Yes	u No		
Repayment:	0 Ies	X INO.		
Ratings:				
Ratings.				
The Funding Agreement issue	ed under the P	rogram is rated	AA by S&P	
Principal Life expects the Fu				
Additional/Other Terms:	None			
3. <u>The Guarantee</u>				
Guarantee Issuer:	Principa	al Financial Grou	up, Inc.	
Effective Date:	10/12/2	006		
Additional/Other Terms:	None			