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METLIFE INC  
Form 8-K  
December 14, 2006

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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) December 14, 2006

MetLife, Inc.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-15787

13-4075851

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(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Park Avenue, New York, New York

10166-0188

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

212-578-2211

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 14, 2006, MetLife, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), commenced an offering of its Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2066 (the "Junior Subordinated Debentures") to be issued under its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration Statement No. 124358). The terms of the offering and of the Junior Subordinated Debentures (other than pricing-related information) are set forth in the Company's preliminary prospectus supplement, dated December 14, 2006, filed on the date hereof with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the accompanying base prospectus, dated April 27, 2005. There can be no assurance whether or when such offering will be completed.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits

A statement regarding the computation of the ratio of earnings to fixed charges in connection with the proposed offering of the Junior Subordinated Debentures is attached hereto as Exhibit 12.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

12.1 Statement re: Computation of the ratio of earnings to fixed charges.

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.

METLIFE, INC.

By: /s/ Gwenn L. Carr

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Name: Gwenn L. Carr

Title: Senior Vice-President and Secretary

Date: December 14, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit	
Number	Exhibit
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12.1

Statement re: Computation of the ratio of earnings to fixed charges.