

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO

Form 8-K

March 06, 2006

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**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): March 3, 2006  
COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

|   |                             |                                      |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Delaware  | 1-04329                     | 34-4297750                           |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio

45840

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (419) 423-1321

Not Applicable

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

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

On March 3, 2006, the Board of Directors of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, a Delaware corporation (the *Company*), elected Steven M. Chapman, age 51, to serve, effective as of March 3, 2006, as a director of the Company. Mr. Chapman will fill the unexpired term of Dennis J. Gormley, who resigned from the Company's Board of Directors effective November 1, 2005. The Company has not yet determined the committees of the Board of Directors, if any, on which Mr. Chapman will serve.

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

(d) Exhibits.

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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.

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

By: /s/ James E. Kline

Name: James E. Kline

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

Date: March 6, 2006

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