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LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP Form 8-K March 22, 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): March 20, 2006

LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

NEW YORK

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-5721 13-2615557

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10010 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

212-460-1900

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

In connection with the December 2005 sale by Leucadia National Corporation (the "Company") of its subsidiary, WilTel Communications Group, LLC, to Level 3 Communications, Inc. ("Level 3"), the Company received consideration from Level 3 consisting of cash and 115,000,000 shares of newly issued Level 3 common stock (the "Shares"). In accordance with the terms of a registration rights agreement between the Company and Level 3 dated December 23, 2005, Level 3 filed a registration statement covering the Shares, which became effective on December 27, 2005.

On March 20, 2006, the Company sold all of the Shares under the

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registration statement for an aggregate pre-tax gain of approximately \$37,400,000, which will be reflected in the Company's first quarter results of operations.

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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.

Date: March 22, 2006

LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORPORATION

/s/ Barbara L. Lowenthal

Name: Barbara L. Lowenthal Title: Vice President

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