

STATE STREET CORP
Form 8-K
September 23, 2005

**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: **September 21, 2005**

State Street Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State of Incorporation)

0-5108
(Commission File Number)

04-2456637
(IRS Employer Identification
Number)

One Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

02111
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 786-3000**

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Item 2.06. Material Impairments.

In its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, State Street Corporation (State Street) reiterated its intent, originally announced in October 2004, to divest its ownership interest in Bel Air Investment Advisors LLC (Bel Air), held by State Street Bank and Trust Company.

On September 19, 2005, State Street committed to a plan to divest its ownership interest in Bel Air, after which Bel Air will conduct business as an independent company. Accordingly, State Street will account for Bel Air separately as a discontinued operation. State Street realigned its business line organizational and reporting structure for Bel Air on September 21, 2005, and will record a pre-tax charge of approximately \$160 million to \$170 million in the third quarter of 2005. The charge is primarily attributable to the write-off of goodwill associated with State Street Bank and Trust Company's original purchase of its ownership interest in Bel Air.

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.

STATE STREET CORPORATION

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| By: | /s/ Pamela D. Gormley |
| Name: | Pamela D. Gormley |
| Title: | Executive Vice President and Corporate Controller |

Date: September 23, 2005