CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE Form 8-K February 17, 2006

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): February 13. 2006

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-13393 (Commission File Number) 52-1209792 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification Number)

10750 Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, Maryland (Address of principal executive offices) 20901 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (301) 592-5000

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

On February 13, 2006, the Board of Directors of Choice Hotels International, Inc. (the Company) appointed William L. Jews, and David Sullivan as Class I directors of the Company, effective March 1, 2006, for a term expiring at the May 2007 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The Company issued a press release announcing Messrs. Jews and Sullivan s election, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued by Choice Hotels International, Inc. dated February 14, 2006.

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: February 17, 2006

/s/ Joseph M. Squeri

Joseph M. Squeri Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer