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March 15, 2005

#### 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 r                                | report (Date of earliest ev                          | ent reported): March 11, 2005   |         |
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|  | INTERPLAY ENTERTAINM                                 | ENT CORPORATION   |         |
| (Exa                                     | act Name of Registrant as S                          | pecified in Its Charter)  |         |
|  | DELAWAF  | E   |         |
|  | (State or Other Jurisdicti                           | on of Incorporation)  |         |
| 0-24363                                  |  | 33-0102707  |         |
| (Commission File                         | Number)  | (IRS Employer Identification  | n No.)  |
| 1682 LANGLEY AVE                         | NUE, IRVINE, CALIFORNIA                              | 92619   |         |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) |  | (Zip Code)  |         |
|  | (310) 432  | 1958  |         |
| (Re                                      | gistrant's Telephone Numbe                           | r, Including Area Code)   |         |
|  | N/A  |   |         |
| (Former                                  | Name or Former Address, i                            | f Changed Since Last Report)  |         |
| simultaneously s                         |  | if the Form 8-K filing is intend<br>on of the registrant under any o<br>on A.2. below): |         |
| 1_1                                      | Written communications<br>Securities Act (17 CFR 23  | pursuant to Rule 425 under 0.425)   | the     |
| 1_1                                      | Soliciting material pursu<br>Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) | ant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exc  | change  |
| 1_1                                      | Pre-commencement communiunder the Exchange ct (17    | cations pursuant to Rule 14c CFR 240.14d-2(B))  | i-2 (b) |
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#### 4.01. CHANGES IN REGISTRANT'S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT.

On March 11, 2005, Interplay Entertainment Corp. (the "Company") was informed by Squar, Milner, Reehl & Williamson, LLP ("Squar Milner") that Squar Milner was resigning as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm. Pursuant to Item 304(a) Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company reports as follows:

- (a) (i) Squar Milner informed the Company's Audit committee on March 10, 2005 of their intention to resign as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm as of February 8, 2005.
- (ii) During the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003, the Company's consolidated financial statements did not contain any adverse opinion or disclaimers of opinion, and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles, other than an explanatory paragraph regarding an uncertainty as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.
- (iii) The resignation of Squar Milner was accepted and approved by the Company's audit committee of the Board of Directors on March 11, 2005.
- (iv) During the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003, and through March 11, 2005, there were no disagreements with Squar Milner on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure which, if not resolved to Squar Milner's satisfaction, would have caused them to make reference to the subject matter of such disagreements in connection with their report on the Company's consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2003 or 2002.
- (v) During the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003 and through March 11, 2005, there have been no reportable events (as defined in Regulation S-K Item 304(a)(1)(v)), except as follows:

In a letter to the Company dated February 8, 2005, but received by the company on February 28, 2005, Squar Milner noted a material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during their interim review of the Company's unaudited consolidated financial statements as of September 30, 2004 and for the quarter then ended included in the Company's September 30, 2004 Form 10-Q, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 22, 2004. In such letter, Squar Milner cites the following:

MATERIAL WEAKNESS - LACK OF SUFFICIENT ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

We noted that the Company began losing most of its personnel beginning in June 2004 through layoffs and resignations. Well before September 30, 2004, substantially all accounting department personnel, except for the controller, had departed the Company. Additionally, most other Company

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with to provide information necessary to produce timely and accurate financial statements had also departed the Company well before September 30, 2004. While we were able to overcome this internal control deficiency in order to complete our interim review, we believe that this internal control deficiency rises to the level of a material weakness in the financial reporting process for the Company.

- (b) The Company has not yet retained a new independent registered public accounting firm.
- (c) A letter from Squar Milner confirming certain disclosures made in this Form 8-K will be filed in an amendment to this Form 8-K as soon as practicable.

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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.

INTERPLAY ENTERTAINMENT CORP.

DATE: MARCH 15, 2005 BY: /S/ HERVE CAEN

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HERVE CAEN, CEO

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