OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K April 21, 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): April 20, 2006

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of 0-27428 (Commission File No.) 22-3412577 (IRS Employer

incorporation or organization)

975 HOOPER AVENUE, TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY 08753

Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(732)240-4500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 140.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On April 20, 2006, OceanFirst Financial Corp. (the Company) announced its financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2006. For more information, reference is made to the Company s press release dated April 20, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On April 20, 2006, the Company announced that the Company s Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the Company s outstanding common stock. The cash dividend will be in the amount of \$0.20 per share and will be payable on May 12, 2006 to the stockholders of record at the close of business on April 28, 2006. For more information, reference is made to the Company s press release dated April 20, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated April 20, 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.

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

/S/ Michael Fitzpatrick Michael Fitzpatrick Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: April 21, 2006