

NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 17, 2006

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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 17, 2006

New Century Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

001-32314

56-2451736

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

18400 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1000,  
Irvine, California

92612

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(949) 440-7030

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  
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 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))  
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On February 17, 2006, the registrant issued a press release relating to the notice it received on February 16, 2006 from Greenlight Capital, L.L.C. nominating three individuals for election to the registrant's Board of Directors. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference. References to the registrant's web site in the press release do not incorporate by reference the information on the registrant's web site into this Current Report and the registrant disclaims any such incorporation by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated February 17, 2006, issued by New Century Financial Corporation.

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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.

New Century Financial Corporation

*February 17, 2006*

*By: /s/ Robert K. Cole*

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*Name: Robert K. Cole*

*Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated February 17, 2006, issued by New Century Financial Corporation.