AMERUS GROUP CO/IA Form 8-K May 03, 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: May 2, 2006)

AMERUS GROUP CO.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

IOWA 001-15166 42-1458424

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.)

699 WALNUT STREET DES MOINES, IOWA

50309-3948

(Address of principal executive

(Zip Code)

offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (515) 362-3600

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:

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

ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Press Release and Supplemental Information

On May 2, 2006, AmerUs Group Co. (the Company) issued a press release reporting its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2006, which the Company is furnishing under this Item 2.02 as Exhibit 99.1, and posted on its website the supplemental information, which the Company is furnishing under this Item 2.02 as Exhibit 99.2.

ITEM 9.01 (d). EXHIBITS.

- 99.1 Press Release dated May 2, 2006 (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02).
- 99.2 Supplemental Information (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02).

SIGNATURE

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.

AMERUS GROUP CO.

By: /s/ Melinda Urion Melinda Urion Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer

Dated: May 2, 2006

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