

SEITEL INC  
Form 8-K  
May 19, 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): May 19, 2006 (May 15, 2006)

**SEITEL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State of Incorporation)

**0-14488**

(Commission File Number)

**76-0025431**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**10811 S. Westview Circle Drive  
Building C, Suite 100  
Houston, Texas 77043**

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(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

**(713) 881-8900**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**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 obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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&#8773 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Section 1. Registrant's Business and Operations**

*Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.*

On May 15, 2006, the Company awarded William Restrepo, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Secretary, 220,000 restricted shares of its common stock, par value \$.01 per share. These awards were made under the Company's 2004 Stock Option Plan. The restricted shares will vest in three equal installments beginning May 15, 2007, May 15, 2008 and May 15, 2009.

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**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.

Dated: May 19, 2006

SEITEL, INC.

By: /s/ Marcia H. Kendrick

Marcia H. Kendrick

Chief Accounting Officer