

MEDTRONIC INC
Form 8-K
July 18, 2006

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**UNITES 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): **July 18, 2006**

Medtronic, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Minnesota

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-7707

(Commission File Number)

41-0793183

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

710 Medtronic Parkway Minneapolis, Minnesota

(Address of principal executive offices)

55432

(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code): **(763) 514-4000**

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:

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On July 18, 2006, Medtronic, Inc. issued a press release announcing it has reached a settlement agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice which requires the government to seek dismissal of two qui tam civil suits pending against Medtronic for several years in the Western District of Tennessee. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit 99.1 Press release of Medtronic, Inc. dated July 18, 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.

MEDTRONIC, INC.

By /s/ Terrance L. Carlson
Terrance L. Carlson
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

Date: July 18, 2006

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