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BOWATER INC
Form 8-K
January 30, 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) January 25, 2006

BOWATER INCORPORATED
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-8712 (Commission File Number)	62-0721803 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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55 East Camperdown Way
P.O. Box 1028
Greenville, South Carolina 29602
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(864) 271-7733
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report): Not applicable

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- // Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) [GRAPHIC OMITTED][GRAPHIC OMITTED]

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On January 25, 2006, Bowater Incorporated announced that Joseph B. Johnson, 42, has been named Vice President and Controller. From 2004 to 2006, he was Director - Financial Reporting; and from 2001 to 2003, he was Director, Accounting and Compliance Reporting. Previously, he was with Ernst and Young LLP, an international accounting firm, where he was Audit and Advisory

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Senior Manager from 1995 to 2001.

A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Johnson's appointment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1

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.

BOWATER INCORPORATED
(Registrant)

Date: January 30, 2006

By: /s/ William G. Harvey

Name: William G. Harvey
Title: Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer