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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 15, 2006

CHEMED CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-8351 31-0791746
(State or other (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of incorporation) Number)

2600 Chemed Center, 255 East 5th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 762-6900

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On May 15, 2006 the Board Of Directors of Chemed Corporation ("Board") reviewed compensation for the Board's non-employee directors. The Board increased the annual retainer fee for Board members from \$18,000 to \$20,000 and increased the annual unrestricted awards of Chemed capital stock to non-employee directors from 400 to 1,000 shares, paid on May 15, 2006. Employee directors continue to receive an annual award of 400 shares. Directors may elect deferral of the cash equivalent of the 1,000 shares.

The Board made no other changes to the annual retainer and meeting fee schedules for non-employee directors. These schedules as so revised are shown below.

Annual Retainer Schedule

Retainer for each director	\$ 20 , 000
Committee retainer	
Audit Committee Chair	\$ 20,000
Audit Committee member	\$ 10,000
Compensation/Incentive Committee Chair	\$ 5,250
Compensation/Incentive Committee member	\$ 3,500
Nominating Committee member	\$ 7,000
Meeting Fee Schedule	
Board Meeting	\$ 3,000
Executive Committee meeting	\$ 1,000
Audit and Compensation/Incentive Committee meeting	\$ 1,000

Audit and Compensation/Incentive Committee meeting

held on the same day as Board meeting

Non-employee directors continue to be eligible to participate in a deferred compensation plan, and to receive the other director benefits described in our proxy statement for the 2006 annual meeting of shareholders that was held on May 15, 2006.

\$ 500

On May 15, 2006 the Chemed Corporation's shareholders approved adoption of the 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, under which options to purchase capital stock and awards of such stock may be made to executive officers and directors. The plan is described in the Company's Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held May 15, 2006.

Item 8.01 Other Events

The Registrant announced May 15, 2006 that, effective May 15, 2006 it has increased the number of authorized shares from 40 million to 80 million. The Registrant's press release, dated May 15, 2006 and its amendment are attached as exhibits to this report.

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

c) Exhibits

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- (3.1) Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation.
- (99.1) Registrant's press release dated May 16, 2006.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHEMED CORPORATION

Dated: May 16, 2006

By: /s/ Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.

Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.

Vice President and Controller

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