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TENNECO INC
Form 8-K
February 28, 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): February 28, 2006

TENNECO INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	1-12387 (Commission File Number)	76-0515284 (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation Identification No.)
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500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE, LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	60045 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 482-5000

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

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On February 28, 2006, Tenneco Inc. announced that it is expanding its operations in China with investment in both manufacturing and engineering facilities. The company is scheduled to open its first solely-owned operation in China, an elastomer manufacturing facility in Suzhou, in June 2006. In addition, the company is extending its joint venture with Shanghai Tractor and Engine Company, a subsidiary of Shanghai Automotive Industry Corp., by establishing an engineering center to develop automotive exhaust products. The engineering center is scheduled to open at the end of 2006. Finally, the company has agreed to increase its ownership stake in the Beijing Monroe Shock Co. (a joint venture with Beijing Automotive Industry Corp.) from its current 51% to 65%. This increased investment is subject to governmental approval. These investments are described in more detail in the company's press release, dated February 28, 2006, which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.	Description
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99.1	Press release issued February 28, 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.

TENNECO INC.

Date: February 28, 2006

By: /s/ Timothy R. Donovan

Timothy R. Donovan
Executive Vice President
and General Counsel