

National Interstate CORP
Form 8-K
February 09, 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 9, 2006

NATIONAL INTERSTATE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Ohio
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

000-51130
(Commission File Number)

34-1607394
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

3250 Interstate Drive
Richfield, Ohio 44286-9000

(Address of principal executive offices including Zip Code)

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(330) 659-8900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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 9, 2006, National Interstate Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing a dividend of \$0.04 per common share payable on March 7, 2006 to shareholders of record of the Company's common shares as of the close of business on February 21, 2006.

The Company also announced that it expects to release 2005 annual results on Tuesday, March 21, 2006 after the market closes. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press Release of National Interstate Corporation dated February 9, 2006 |
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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.

National Interstate Corporation

By: /s/ Paul F. Haffner

Paul F. Haffner
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: February 9, 2006