

EDISON MISSION ENERGY  
Form 8-K  
December 23, 2004

**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): December 22, 2004**

**EDISON MISSION ENERGY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

**000-24890**

**95-4031807**

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission file  
number)

(I.R.S. employer  
identification no.)

**18101 Von Karman Avenue**

**Irvine, California 92612**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**949-752-5588**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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*This current report includes forward-looking statements. Edison Mission Energy has based these forward-looking statements on its current expectations and projections about future events based upon knowledge of facts as of the date of this current report and its assumptions about future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties that may be outside Edison Mission Energy's control. Edison Mission Energy has no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.*

**Section 1 Registrant's Business and Operations**

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On December 22, 2004, Edison International filed a Current Report on Form 8-K (the December 22 Current Report) disclosing the approval by the Edison International Compensation and Executive Personnel Committee of the award of long-term incentives for 2005 to executive officers of Edison International and its affiliates, including Edison Mission Energy. As in recent years, these long-term incentive awards will have two components, with Edison International nonqualified stock options comprising 75% of the award value and Edison International performance shares comprising 25% of the award value. A copy of the Edison International 2005 Long-Term Incentives Terms and Conditions is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the December 22 Current Report.

The December 22 Current Report also disclosed the approval by the Edison International Compensation and Executive Personnel Committee of target annual incentives for 2005 for executive officers of Edison International and its affiliates, including Edison Mission Energy, under the Edison International Executive Incentive Compensation Plan (the Plan). Under the Plan, annual incentive compensation is determined on the basis of company, organizational and individual performance relative to corporate goals. A copy of the goals for 2005 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the December 22 Current Report. These goals are subject to review and possible revision at the next regular Edison International Board meeting currently scheduled to occur in February 2005.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired

Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information

Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits

- 99.1 Edison International 2005 Long-Term Incentives Terms and Conditions, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to Edison International's Form 8-K filed December 22, 2004.
- 99.2 2005 performance goals for the Edison International Executive Incentive Compensation Plan, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to Edison International's Form 8-K filed December 22, 2004.

**SIGNATURE**

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 thereunto duly authorized.

**Edison Mission Energy**

(Registrant)

Date: December 23, 2004

/s/ Kevin M. Smith  
KEVIN M. SMITH

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



