

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO

Form 8-K

December 20, 2006

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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 18, 2006  
COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	1-04329	34-4297750
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, Ohio		45840
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: <u>(419) 423-1321</u>		
Not Applicable		

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

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

On December 18, 2006, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, a Delaware corporation (the *Company* ), entered into an Indemnification Agreement with each of the following persons (each, an *Indemnitee* ):

The Company's current Directors, consisting of Ms. Laurie J. Breininger and Messrs. Arthur H. Aronson, Steven M. Chapman, John J. Holland, John F. Meier, Byron O. Pond, John H. Shuey and Richard L. Wambold;

James H. Geers, the Company's Vice President Global Human Resources;

Robert W. Huber, the Company's principal accounting officer;

James E. Kline, the Company's General Counsel;

Harold C. Miller, the Company's President International Tire Division; and

Philip G. Weaver, the Company's Chief Financial Officer.

Generally, each Indemnification Agreement provides that the Company will indemnify the Indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted or required by Delaware law. An Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification for any claim initiated by the Indemnitee against the Company or any Company director or officer unless the Company has joined in or consented to such claim. The Company will advance certain expenses to an Indemnitee prior to the final disposition of certain claims against the Indemnitee only if the Indemnitee executes and delivers to the Company an undertaking to repay any advanced amounts if he or she is ultimately determined to be not entitled to indemnification under the Indemnification Agreement. In certain situations, an Indemnitee will be required to meet certain statutory standards of conduct in order to be indemnified by the Company under the Indemnification Agreement. Pursuant to the Indemnification Agreements, the Company has agreed to refrain from amending its Restated Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws to diminish the Indemnitees' rights to indemnification provided by the Indemnification Agreement or other indemnity provisions. The Company has also agreed to use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain a minimum level of directors' and officers' liability insurance coverage for the Directors and officers of the Company.

The summary of the Indemnification Agreements described above is qualified in its entirety by reference to the form Indemnification Agreement for Directors and Officers attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	Form Indemnification Agreement for Directors and Officers

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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.

**COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY**

By: /s/ James E. Kline

Name:

James E. Kline

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

Date: December 20, 2006

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