INDEPENDENT BANK CORP Form 8-K January 19, 2006

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

DATE OF REPORT:

January 19, 2006

(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

MASSACHUSETTS

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9047

04-2870273

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. 288 UNION ST., ROCKLAND, MA

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02370

(Zip Code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

781-878-6100

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) The following exhibits are included with this Report:

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SIGNATURE

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

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP.

DATE: January 19, 2006 /s/ Denis K. Sheahan
DENIS K. SHEAHAN
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND

TREASURER