

CERUS CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 30, 2006

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**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): March 30, 2006

**CERUS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**0-21937**  
(Commission

File Number)  
**2411 Stanwell Drive**

**Concord, California 94520**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**68-0262011**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (925) 288-6000

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):

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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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 March 30, 2006, Cerus Corporation (the Company ) announced the closing of its public offering of 5,175,000 shares of the Company s common stock. A copy of the Company s press release dated March 30, 2006, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Company s press release, dated March 30, 2006, entitled Cerus Corporation Announces Closing of Follow-On Equity Offering, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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

(d) Exhibits

- 99.1 Press Release, dated March 30, 2006, entitled Cerus Corporation Announces Closing of Follow-On Equity Offering.

**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.

**CERUS CORPORATION**

Dated: March 30, 2006

By: /s/ William J. Dawson  
William J. Dawson

Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
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