NATIONAL WESTERN LIFE INSURANCE CO

Form 8-K

March 23, 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) March 22, 2006

NATIONAL WESTERN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

COLORADO	84-0467208
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2-17039

(Commission File Number)

850 EAST ANDERSON LANE, AUSTIN, TEXAS	78752-1602
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip code)

(512) 836-1010

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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   (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))

Item 5.02

Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Effective March 22, 2006, Jay C. Bugg resigned as Senior Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer of National Western Life Insurance Company.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

NATIONAL WESTERN LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANY

Date: March 23, 2006   /S/ Brian M. Pribyl

Brian M. Pribyl
Senior Vice President
Chief Financial & Administrative Officer
and Treasurer