

AMEREN CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 17, 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):

January 17, 2006

AMEREN CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Missouri  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

1-14756  
(Commission  
File Number)

43-1723446  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1901 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63103  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 621-3222

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:

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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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SECTION 2 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 17, 2006, Ameren Corporation (“Ameren”) issued a press release updating its earnings for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, and announcing its expected earnings for 2006. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 9 - FINANCIALS STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

| <u>Exhibit Number:</u> | <u>Title:</u>  |
|------------------------|--|
| 99.1                   | Press release regarding updated earnings for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, and expected earnings for 2006, issued on January 17, 2006 by Ameren Corporation |

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of any registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

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.

AMEREN CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Martin J. Lyons

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Martin J. Lyons  
Vice President and Controller  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: January 17, 2006

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