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BOWATER INC
Form 8-K
December 21, 2005

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) December 16, 2005

BOWATER INCORPORATED
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 1-8712 (Commission File Number) | 62-0721803 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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55 East Camperdown Way
P.O. Box 1028
Greenville, South Carolina 29602
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(864) 271-7733
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report): Not applicable

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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- / / Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On December 16, 2005, Bowater amended its Retirement Plan for Outside Directors. This amendment specifies (1) that benefits shall be distributed in a lump sum to participants who retire and (2) a method for determining the interest rate for calculating the lump sum benefit. A copy of the amendment, which became effective as of December 1, 2005, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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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.

BOWATER INCORPORATED

(Registrant)

Date: December 20, 2005

By: /s/ William G. Harvey

Name: William G. Harvey
Title: Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBITS

99.1 Amendment to Retirement Plan for Outside Directors.