

SPRINT NEXTEL CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 22, 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): August 22, 2006 (August 21, 2006)**

**SPRINT NEXTEL CORPORATION**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Kansas**  
**(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)**

**1-04721**  
**(Commission File Number)**

**48-0457967**  
**(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)**

**2001 Edmund Halley Drive, Reston, Virginia**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**20191**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (703) 433 - 4000**  
**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

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:

- 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))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4 (c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On August 21, 2006, Sprint Nextel Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Len J. Lauer, the Company's chief operating officer, is leaving the Company effective immediately. A copy of the press release is included as Exhibit 99 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(a) *Financial Statements of Business Acquired.*

Not applicable.

(b) *Pro Forma Financial Information.*

Not applicable.

(c) *Shell company transactions.*

Not applicable.

(d) *Exhibits.*

Number	Exhibit
99	Press Release, dated August 21, 2006.

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

**SPRINT NEXTEL CORPORATION**

/s/ Leonard J. Kennedy  
By: Leonard J. Kennedy  
General Counsel

Date: August 22, 2006

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Exhibit Description</b>
99	Press Release, dated August 21, 2006.