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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

JULY 26, 2005 (Date of Report)

CNA SURETY CORPORATION (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

1-13277 (Commission File No.)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction) 36-4144905 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

CNA CENTER, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
(Address of principal executive offices)

60685 (Zip code)

(312) 822-5000 (Registrant's telephone number, include area code)

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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Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

See Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99 - CNA Surety Corporation Press Release issued on July 26, 2005.

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.

CNA SURETY CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ John F. Corcoran

John F. Corcoran

Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

Dated: July 26, 2005

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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99. CNA Surety Corporation Press Release issued on July 26, 2005.