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 24, 2006

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California1-785088-0085720(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)(Commission incorporation or organization)(I.R.S. Employer incorporation incorpora

5241 Spring Mountain Road
Post Office Box 98510
Las Vegas, Nevada
(Address of principal executive offices)

89193-8510

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (702) 876-7237

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Item 5.02 (b) Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

In its Proxy Statement dated March 24, 2006, Southwest Gas Corporation (the "Company") disclosed that, consistent with the Company's age 72 retirement policy for directors, Thomas Y. Hartley, Chairman of the Board of Directors, will be retiring from the Board at the conclusion of this year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders. With Mr. Hartley's retirement, it is the intention of the Board of Directors to elect LeRoy C. Hanneman, Jr., Chairman of the Board, subject to his reelection as a director at this year's meeting. Mr. Hanneman would assume these additional responsibilities, including those of the Presiding Director, immediately following the Annual Meeting.

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.

SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Date: March 24, 2006 /s/ KENNETH J. KENNY

Kenneth J. Kenny Vice President/Treasurer