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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): SEPTEMBER 6, 2006

ANGELICA CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MISSOURI 1-5674 43-0905260 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

> 424 SOUTH WOODS MILL ROAD CHESTERFIELD, MISSOURI 63017-3406 (Address of principal executive office)(Zip Code)

(314) 854-3800 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On September 6, 2006, Angelica Corporation (the "Company") conducted its earnings conference call after the release of second quarter fiscal year 2006 financial results on September 5, 2006. In response to questions posed by analysts on the conference call, Stephen M. O'Hara, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, gave the following additional financial information and guidance with respect to the Company:

- o Earnings (i.e., income from continuing operations) before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for the current 2006 fiscal year is expected to increase 15% to 20% over EBITDA for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2006 (fiscal year 2005) of \$27.5 million.
- o EBITDA for fiscal year 2007 is expected to increase 20% to 25% from fiscal year 2006 EBITDA.
- Capital expenditures for fiscal year 2006 will be approximately \$500,000 per laundry facility, or approximately \$15,000,000 in the aggregate.
- o Revenues for fiscal year 2007 are expected to increase in the low to middle single digits before any acquisitions, reflecting low-end organic growth in revenues of 7% to 10% less revenues attributed to any divested business.
- o Full year pre-tax and net income for fiscal year 2006 are expected to be higher than full year pre-tax and net income for fiscal year 2005.

EBITDA does not appear as a line item on the Company's consolidated statements of income under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Because EBITDA excludes interest and income taxes, we believe that it provides insight with respect to our ongoing operating results irrespective of our capital structure and because EBITDA excludes depreciation and amortization, it provides a basis for measuring our financial performance unrelated to historical costs or carrying values of long-lived assets. We are frequently asked by analysts and other investors about EBITDA because it is commonly used by them as a measurement of financial performance to analyze and compare companies on the basis of operating performance alone. We use EBITDA internally as managers to evaluate our performance against peer companies as well. Our credit facility also requires us to report to our lenders our compliance with certain financial ratios that are based in part on EBITDA.

Since EBITDA is not a measure of financial performance under GAAP, it should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to operating income, as determined in accordance with GAAP, as a measure of our operating performance, or as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities, as determined in accordance with GAAP, as a measure of our liquidity. There are material limitations to the use of EBITDA as a financial measure. For example, EBITDA does not measure the capital we require to maintain our fixed assets and does not take into account the total amount of interest we pay on outstanding debt, nor does it show trends in interest costs due to changes in our level of borrowings or interest rates. In addition, EBITDA does not necessarily indicate whether cash flows will be sufficient or available for our cash requirements. Moreover, since EBITDA is not defined by GAAP, other companies who disclose EBITDA may not calculate EBITDA on exactly the same basis that we do. The following presents a reconciliation of EBITDA for the 2005 fiscal year to our reported income from continuing operations for the 2005 fiscal year (in thousands):

| Income from continuing operations | \$ 2,319 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Interest expense | 7,198 |
| Income tax benefit | (1,591) |
| Depreciation | 14,865 |
| Amortization | 4,677 |
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| EBITDA | \$27,468 |
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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.

ANGELICA CORPORATION

Dated: September 6, 2006 /s/ Steven L. Frey

/s/ Steven L. Frey Steven L. Frey Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary