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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):

January 17, 2006

The Hallwood Group Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-08303 51-0261339

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

3710 Rawlins, Suite 1500, Dallas, Texas 75219

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number,

(214) 528-5588

including area code:

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- o 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, the outside directors of the Board of Directors of The Hallwood Group Incorporated (the Company) approved The Hallwood Group Incorporated 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan for Brookwood Companies Incorporated (the Plan) to attract, retain and motivate key personnel of the Company s subsidiary, Brookwood Companies Incorporated (Brookwood). The Plan is subject to the approval of the holders of a majority of stock of the Company, and the Board of Directors has directed that it be submitted to the stockholders for approval at the annual meeting of stockholders scheduled for May 10, 2006. Pursuant to the Plan, the directors of Brookwood and key long-term employees, including officers of Brookwood and its subsidiaries, will be eligible to receive awards of Units that may result in the payment of cash to the participant upon the occurrence of certain events, including a merger, sale of substantially all of the assets or a change of control of Brookwood. The Brookwood Companies Incorporated Stock Option Plan (the Brookwood Plan), dated June 12, 1989, as amended, is being terminated by Brookwood concurrently with the adoption of the Plan and any options held pursuant to the Brookwood Plan will be cancelled simultaneously.

On January 17, 2006, Amber M. Brookman, Chief Executive Officer and President of Brookwood, was awarded 1,900 Units under the Plan, subject to stockholder approval of the Plan. In addition, the Company agreed that, if certain senior members of management do not have, prior to a change of control transaction, in the aggregate an equity or debt interest of at least two percent in the entity with whom the change of control transaction is completed (exclusive of any such interest any such individual receives with respect to his or her employment following the change of control transaction), then the Company will pay Ms. Brookman an additional \$2,600,000 in cash.

The foregoing description of the Plan and form of award agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Plan and the form of award agreement, which are filed as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

99.1 Description

The Hallwood Group Incorporated 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan for Brookwood Companies Incorporated

99.2 Form of Unit Agreement under Plan

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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.

THE HALLWOOD GROUP INCORPORATED

Date: January 17, 2006 By: /s/ Melvin J. Melle

Name: Melvin J. Melle Title: Vice President

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