

CORNING INC /NY  
Form 8-K  
January 26, 2005

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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 26, 2005

Corning Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

1-3247

16-0393470

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

One Riverfront Plaza, Corning, New York

14831

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

607-974-9000

Not Applicable

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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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 January 26, 2005 Corning Incorporated issued a press release announcing its Board of Directors approved today James R. Houghton continuing as Chairman but relinquishing the role of Chief Executive Officer, Wendell P. Weeks becoming Chief Executive Officer, and Peter F. Volanakis becoming Chief Operating Officer, all effective at the annual meeting of shareholders on April 28, 2005. That press release is attached as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Biographical information appears at the back of Exhibit 99. To Corning Incorporated's knowledge, all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to Messrs. Houghton, Weeks and Volanakis were met during 2004 and to date. None received any waiver under Corning's codes of conduct and none was involved in any known reportable related party transactions with Corning.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibit

99 Press release dated January 26, 2005

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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.

Corning Incorporated

*January 26, 2005*

By: *William D. Eggers*

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*Name: William D. Eggers*

*Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel*

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| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b> |
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| 99                 | Press Release      |