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DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP INC/DE Form 8-K February 22, 2008

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): <u>February 22, 2008</u>
DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-11462 13-3427277

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

1105 North Market Street, Suite 1230, P.O. Box 8985, Wilmington, DE

(Address of principal executive offices)

(ZIP Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 302-478-5142

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:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On February 22, 2008, the Registrant issued a press release announcing the expansion of its existing share repurchase program and the grants of performance-contingent incentive options (the SNCC Performance-Contingent Options) to certain members of the senior management team of its subsidiary, Safety National Casualty Corporation. A copy of this press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1. The information contained in this press release is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Regulation FD and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing by the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, unless incorporated by specific reference in such filing. The general form of the option award agreement relating to the Performance-Contingent Options is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description of Exhibits

99.1 Registrant s February 22, 2008 press release

99.2 General Form of SNCC Performance-Contingent Option Award Agreement 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.

DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

/s/ ROBERT ROSENKRANZ Robert Rosenkranz Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: February 22, 2008