

ALLEGHANY CORP /DE
Form 8-K
March 18, 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): March 13, 2008

Alleghany Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-9371

51-0283071

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

7 Times Square Tower, 17th Floor, New York, New York

10036

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 752-1356

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 - 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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b)

On March 13, 2008, James P. Slattery, Senior Vice President Insurance, of Alleghany Corporation (the Company), provided notice to the Company of his election to retire as Senior Vice President Insurance effective July 1, 2008.

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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.

ALLEGHANY CORPORATION

Date: March 18, 2008

By: /s/ Roger B. Gorham

Name: Roger B. Gorham

Title: Senior Vice President and chief financial officer