

MERCHANTS GROUP INC

Form 8-K

July 28, 2005

**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): July 28, 2005

**MERCHANTS GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-9640

16-1280763

(Commission File Number)

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

250 Main Street, Buffalo, New York

14202

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (716) 849-3333

(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 (see General Instructions A.2 below):

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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 13e4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events

On July 28, 2005, Merchants Group, Inc. issued a press release announcing the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend on its common stock.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this report:

Exhibit 99 Press release dated July 28, 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.

MERCHANTS GROUP, INC.

Date: July 28, 2005

By: /s/ Kenneth J. Wilson

Kenneth J. Wilson  
Chief Financial Officer  
Treasurer

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