

WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC
Form 10-K/A
June 30, 2006

FORM 10-K/A

Amendment No.1

Securities and Exchange Commission

Washington, D.C. 20549

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2005.

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 0-25454

Washington Federal, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	91-1661606 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
425 Pike Street, Seattle, Washington (Address of principal executive offices)	98101 (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 624-7930	

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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
NA	NA

Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act:

Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share

(Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. YES NO

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES NO

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the Registrant's knowledge, in a definitive proxy or information statement incorporated by reference to Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large Accelerated Filer Accelerated Filer Non-accelerated Filer

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) YES NO

As of November 1, 2005, the aggregate market value of the 85,619,797 shares of Common Stock of the Registrant issued and outstanding on such date, which excludes 1,332,616 shares held by all directors and executive officers of the Registrant as a group, was \$1,969,255,331. This figure is based on the closing sale price of \$23.00 per share of the Registrant's Common Stock on November 1, 2005, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* on November 2, 2005.

Number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of November 1, 2005: 86,952,413

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

List hereunder the following documents incorporated by reference and the Part of Form 10-K/A into which the document is incorporated:

(1) Portions of the Registrant's Annual Report to Stockholders for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005, are incorporated into Part II, Item 9A of this Form 10-K/A.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This abbreviated amendment on Form 10-K/A (this Amendment) amends the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2005 (the Original Filing) by amending Item 9A to include the attestation report on management s assessment of the Company s internal control over financial reporting issued by the Company s Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm which was inadvertently omitted from the Original Filing.

In the Original Filing, the Report of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm contained a reference to a separate report and stated that the report expressed an unqualified opinion on management s assessment of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. With this Amendment, that separate report is included in Item 9A.

Except as described above, this Amendment does not revise, update or in any way affect any information or disclosures contained in the Original Filing.

Part II

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer along with the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) Rule 13a-14. Based upon that evaluation, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, along with the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in timely alerting them to material information relating to the Company (including its consolidated subsidiaries) required to be included in the Company's periodic SEC filings. There have been no significant changes in the Company's internal controls or in other factors that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Disclosure controls and procedures are Company controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its President and Chief Executive Officer and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

The Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting is incorporated by reference on page 33 of the Annual Report. The attestation report on management's assessment of the Company's internal control over financial reporting issued by the Company's Registered Public Accounting Firm required herein is below.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of

Washington Federal, Inc.

Seattle, Washington

We have audited management's assessment, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, that Washington Federal, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2005, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assessment and an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, management's assessment that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2005, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2005, based on the criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 2005, of the Company, and our report dated November 4, 2005, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Seattle, Washington

November 4, 2005

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a)(1) The following financial statements are incorporated herein by reference from pages 10 through 33 of the Annual Report.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition as of September 30, 2005 and 2004

Consolidated Statements of Operations for each of the years in the three-year period ended September 30, 2005

Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for each of the years in the three-year period ended September 30, 2005

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended September 30, 2005

(a)(2) There are no financial statement schedules filed herewith.

(a)(3) The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

No.	Exhibit	Page/ Footnote
3.1	Articles of Incorporation of the Company	(1)
3.2	Bylaws of the Company	(1)
4	Specimen Common Stock Certificate	(1)
10.1	1987 Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Rights Plan*	(1)
10.2	1994 Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Rights Plan*	(1)
10.3	2001 Long-Term Incentive Plan*	(2)
10.4	Form of award agreement for restricted stock for 2001 Long Term Incentive Plan *	(3)
10.5	Form of award agreement for stock options for all plans*	(3)
13	Annual Report to Stockholders	(3)
21	Subsidiaries of the Company Reference is made to Item 1, Business Subsidiaries for the required information 7	(3)
23	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	
31.1	Section 302 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer	
31.2	Section 302 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer	
32	Section 906 Certification pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	(3)

* Management contract or compensation plan

(1) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-B filed with the SEC on January 26, 1995.

(2) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on January 23, 2003.

(3) Incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on November 8, 2005.

(c) See (a)(3) above for all exhibits filed herewith and the Exhibit Index.

(d) All schedules are omitted as the required information is not applicable or the information is presented in the Consolidated Financial Statements or related notes.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

June 29, 2006

By: /s/ Brent J. Beardall
Brent J. Beardall, Senior Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer