Rockwood Holdings, Inc. Form 8-A12B August 15, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation or organization)

52-2277366

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

100 Overlook Center

Princeton, New Jersey 08540

Telephone: (609) 514-0300

(Address of principal executive offices)

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. \circ

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box. o

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: No. 333-122764

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

Title of each class to be so registered Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered New York Stock Exchange

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

None

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Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to Be Registered.

Information with respect to the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, is incorporated herein by reference to the section captioned

Description of Capital Stock in the prospectus included in the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-122764) lating to the

Common Stock, to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (such prospectus as filed pursuant to Rule

424(b), the Prospectus). The description of the Common Stock contained in the Prospectus under the heading Description of Capital Stock is hereby incorporated by reference into this Form 8-A.

Item 2. Exhibits.

None

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS, INC.

Dated: August 12, 2005 By: /s/ THOMAS J. RIORDAN

Name: Thomas J. Riordan

Title: Senior Vice President, Law & Administration

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