Northgate Minerals CORP Form 6-K May 30, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of May, 2006.

Northgate Minerals Corporation

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

815 Hornby Street, Suite 406 Vancouver, British Columbia Canada V6Z 2E6 (Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

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

Registrant:

Northgate Minerals Corporation

Date: May 30, 2006

/s/ Jon Douglas Jon Douglas

Chief Financial Officer