NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC Form 8-K November 22, 2006 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

November 21, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 001-13533 (Commission File Number) 74-2830661 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

8140 Ward Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64114

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(816) 237-7000

Edgar Filing: NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC - Form 8-K

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 Instruction A.2. below):

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Edgar Filing: NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC - Form 8-K

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 21, 2006, Edward W. Mehrer, a Director of the Company, entered into a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan with a broker-dealer firm. Under the Sales Plan, the broker-dealer is authorized to sell up to 24,000 shares of the Company's common stock pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Sales Plan over a period commencing November 21, 2006 and extending through the earlier of the date all such shares are sold or January 19, 2007, unless the Sales Plan is terminated earlier pursuant to its terms.

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

DATE: November 22, 2006

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL, INC. /s/ Gregory S. Metz Gregory S. Metz Chief Financial Officer