AMERICAN STANDARD COMPANIES INC Form 8-K July 10, 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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): July 7, 2006

AMERICAN STANDARD COMPANIES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

1-11415 (Commission File No.) 13-3465896 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

One Centennial Avenue, P.O. Box 6820, Piscataway, NJ 08855-6820 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (732) 980-6000

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ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

At the July 7, 2006 meeting of the Board of Directors of American Standard Companies Inc. (the Company), the Board approved, upon recommendation by the Management Development and Compensation Committee (the Committee), changes to several of the Company s compensation plans to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code). All of the Company s plans that provide benefits, compensation or other features that could constitute deferred compensation as defined in Section 409A have been operated in good faith compliance with Section 409A since January 1, 2005. At this time, the Company is formally amending those plans that have not previously been amended to comply with Section 409A. Changes to the plans included ensuring that the timing of deferral elections, changes to such elections and distributions of deferred compensation were in compliance with Section 409A.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN STANDARD COMPANIES INC.

By: /s/ Mary Elizabeth Gustafsson Name: Mary Elizabeth Gustafsson

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

DATE: July 10, 2006