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Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Form S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

PPL CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

23-2758192 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

PPL Corporation Two North Ninth Street Allentown, Pennsylvania 18101-1179 (Address, including zip code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Office)

> INCENTIVE COMPENSATION PLAN INCENTIVE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR KEY EMPLOYEES (Full title of the plan)

James E. Abel Vice President-Finance and Treasurer PPL Corporation Two North Ninth Street Allentown, PA 18101-1179 (610) 774-5151

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Registrant's agent for service)

> With Copies to: Vincent Pagano, Jr. Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP 425 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10017-3954 (212) 455-2000 CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered

Proposed
Proposed maximum
maximum aggregate

Amount to be offering price offering pri registered (1) per share (2)

(2)

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Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share(a).... 6,500,000 \$45.54 \$296,010,00

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 6,500,000 shares of Common Stock being registered pursuant to this Registration Statement are additional securities of the same class as other securities for which a registration statement (No. 333-95967) on Form S-8 was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on February 2, 2000. Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of such earlier registration statement are incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement, except that the provisions contained in Part II of such earlier registration statement are modified as set forth in this Registration Statement.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

The validity of the securities offered hereby has been passed upon by Thomas D. Salus, Esq., Senior Counsel of PPL Services Corporation, a subsidiary of the Company. Mr. Salus is a full-time employee of PPL Services Corporation.

Item 8. Exhibits.

- 5(a) Opinion of Thomas D. Salus, Esq. with respect to legality of securities being registered hereunder.
- 5(b) Opinion of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP with respect to legality of securities being registered hereunder
- 23(a) Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- 23(b) Consent of Thomas D. Salus, Esq. (Reference is made to Exhibit 5(a) filed herewith)
- 23(c) Consent of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP (Reference is made to Exhibit 5(b) filed herewith)
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Allentown, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on the 3rd day of February, 2004.

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PPL CORPORATION

By: /s/ William F. Hecht

William F. Hecht

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated on February 3, 2004.

Signature	Title

/s/ William F. Hecht	Principal Executive
	Officer and Director
William F Hecht Chairman President	

William F. Hecht, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ John R. Biggar	Principal Financial
	Officer and Director

John R. Biggar, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Joseph J. McCabe, Vice President and Controller

Frederick M. Bernthal, John W. Conway, E. Allen Directors Deaver, Louise K. Goeser, Stuart Heydt, W. Keith Smith and Susan M. Stalnecker

By: /s/ William F. Hecht

William F. Hecht, Attorney-in-Fact

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