

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC  
Form 8-K  
January 18, 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

January 16, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	001-13533	74-2830661
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(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

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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**INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT**

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On January 16, 2006, NovaStar Financial, Inc. announced their intention to report fourth quarter 2005 financial results on February 9, 2006. A conference call to discuss fourth quarter results will take place on February 10, 2006.

A copy of the press release is included as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference. References to the registrant's website in the press release do not incorporate by reference the information on the registrant's website into this Current Report and the registrant disclaims any such incorporation by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

99 NovaStar Announces Fourth Quarter 2005 Earnings Release and Earnings Conference Call.

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**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.

NOVASTAR FINANCIAL, INC.

DATE: January 17, 2006

Chief Financial Officer

/s/ Gregory S. Metz  
Gregory S. Metz

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