Edgar Filing: HARLEY DAVIDSON INC - Form 8-K

HARLEY DAVIDSON INC Form 8-K January 20, 2006

UNITED STATES

			AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ashington, D.C. 20549						
			FORM 8-K						
		C	CURRENT REPORT						
			nt to Section 13 or 15(d) of rities Exchange Act of 1934						
		Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):	January 20, 2006						
		Н	farley-Davidson, Inc.						
		(Exact name of	registrant as specified in its charter)						
	Wisconsin		1-9183	39-1382325					
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)		(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)					
		3700 West Juneau	Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 532	208					
	(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)								
			(414) 342-4680						
		(Registrant's tele	phone number, including area code)						
			Not Applicable						
		(Former name or form	mer address, if changed since last re	port)					
Check the app the following		ne Form 8-K filing is inter	nded to simultaneously satisfy the fi	ling obligation of the registrant under any of					
[_] Solicit [_] Pre-co	ing material pursuant to mmencement communi	Rule 14a-12 under the E cations pursuant to Rule 1	e Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) xchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) 4d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 43e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17						

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 19, 2006, Harley-Davidson, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release (the Press Release) announcing the Company s fourth quarter and full year financial results for the financial periods ended December 31, 2005. The Press Release included information regarding retail sales of Harley-Davidson® motorcycles for the full year 2005 and the full year 2004. The Company s press release for the third quarter of 2005 and prior Company disclosures also included information regarding retail sales of Harley-Davidson® motorcycles.

To help investors better understand the retail sales information the Company has disclosed, the Company is providing the following updated information concerning year-to-date retail sales of Harley-Davidson® motorcycles for each calendar quarter in 2004 and 2005, which underlies the information included in the Press Release:

	First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter			Fourth (Quarter
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005		2004
United States	53,707	53,837	143,683	140,938	210,790	200,826	253,414	243,160	
Europe	6,485	5,376	18,353	14,978	25,172	21,096	29,482	24,594	
Japan	2,134	1,929	5,358	4,849	8,428	7,563	11,420	10,283	
Canada	1,934	1,781	7,975	7,289	10,700	9,978	11,660	11,200	
All other markets	2,601	2,146	5,530	4,740	8,177	6,829	11,193	9,373	
Total	66,861	65,069	180,899	172,794	263,267	246,292	317,169	298,610	

The data source for all 2005 retail sales figures shown above is sales warranty and registration information provided by Harley-Davidson dealers and compiled by the Company. The Company must rely on information that its dealers supply concerning retail sales, and this information is subject to revision. 2004 retail sales figures shown above conform to sales warranty and registration information. Figures for year-to-date retail sales in the United States for each quarter of 2004 vary from Motorcycle Industry Council source data that the Company previously published, the figure for retail sales in Japan through the fourth quarter of 2004 varies from Japan Industry source data that the previously published, and the figures for year-to-date retail sales in all other markets for the first and second quarters of 2004 vary from data that the Company previously published. Generally, figures are based on sales warranty and registration information as of the close of the relevant calendar quarter.

-2-

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 hereunto duly authorized.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON, INC.

Date: January 20, 2006

By: /s/ James M. Brostowitz

James M. Brostowitz

Vice President and Treasurer and Acting Chief Financial Officer

SIGNATURES 2

-3-

SIGNATURES 3