WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC Form 8-K May 09, 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) May 9, 2006

Washington Federal, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington0-2545491-1661606(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (206) 624-7930

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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(17 CFR 230.425)

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 (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

Washington Federal to Present at Upcoming Investor Conference

SEATTLE: Washington Federal, Inc. (NASDAQ: WFSL) Executive Vice Preseident & Secretary, Ed Hedlund together with Brent Beardall its Senior Vice President & CFO will present at D.A. Davidson's 8th Annual Financial Services Investor Conference on Wednesday, May 10, 2006 in Seattle.

The presentation is scheduled to be held at 10:30 a.m. Pacific Time at Seattle's Bell Harbor Conference Center.

The presentation will be posted on the Company's website www.washingtonfederal.com following the presentation.

Headquartered in Seattle, Washington since 1917, Washington Federal provides loans secured by residential real estate, along with checking, savings, money market accounts and certificates of deposit. The company operates 122 branches located in the seven western states.

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.

WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

Dated: May 9, 2006

By:

/s/ Brent J. Beardall
----Brent J. Beardall
Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer