FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES INC Form 8-K December 05, 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): December 4, 2006 Friedman Industries, Incorporated (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Texas** (State or other jurisdiction

1-7521 (Commission File Number) 74-1504405 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

77028-5585

(Zip Code)

of incorporation) 4001 Homestead Road Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

## 713-672-9433

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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## Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 4, 2006, the Board of Directors of Friedman Industries, Incorporated (the Company ) voted to increase the size of the board from eight to nine members and elected Durga D. Agrawal to fill the vacancy. In addition, Dr. Agrawal was appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors. Dr. Agrawal will receive the customary compensation paid to the Company s outside directors, which is currently \$2,000 per quarter.

Dr. Agrawal received a BS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Delhi, India. Following his bachelor s degree, he studied Industrial Engineering at the University of Houston, earning an MS in 1969 and a Ph.D. in 1974. Dr. Agrawal founded Piping Technology & Products, Inc ( PT&P ) in 1978 and has served as PT&P s Chief Executive Officer since its formation.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized. Date: December 5, 2006

FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED

By: /s/ BEN HARPER Ben Harper Senior Vice President- Finance and Secretary/Treasurer