

SERVICE CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
FORM 11-K**

þ **ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE  
ACT OF 1934**  
**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006**

**or**

o **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE  
ACT OF 1934**

**Commission file number 1-6402-1**

**THE SCI 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN**  
**(Full title of the plan)**  
**SERVICE CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL**  
(Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan)  
**1929 Allen Parkway**  
**Houston, Texas 77019**  
(Address of the plan and address of issuer's principal executive offices)

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED  
PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Administrative Committee  
The SCI 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan  
Houston, Texas

We have audited the accompanying Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits of The SCI 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan as of December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the related Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits for the year ended December 31, 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of The SCI 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan as of December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2006 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) is presented for purposes of complying with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The supplemental schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ HARPER & PEARSON COMPANY, P.C.

Houston, Texas

June 29, 2007

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**THE SCI 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

	December 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
Assets:		
Investments:		
Pooled separate accounts	\$ 154,050,854	\$ 121,580,627
SCI common stock	62,465,745	58,938,086
Interest bearing cash	1,629,047	2,269,416
Self-directed account	325,094	153,359
Participant loans	9,574,924	8,295,972
 Total investments	 228,045,664	 191,237,460
 Receivables:		
Employer contribution receivable	499,198	513,844
Employee contribution receivable	655,724	667,434
 Total receivables	 1,154,922	 1,181,278
 Total assets	 229,200,586	 192,418,738
 Liabilities:		
Excess contributions payable	1,067,106	1,686,921
 Net assets available for benefits	 \$ 228,133,480	 \$ 190,731,817

See notes to financial statements.

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**THE SCI 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

	Year Ended December 31, 2006
Additions to net assets attributed to:	
Contributions:	
Employer cash	\$ 16,855,710
Participants	22,434,172
Rollovers from other qualified plans	933,298
 Total contributions	 40,223,180
 Investment income:	
Dividend and interest income	1,351,801
Net appreciation in the fair value of pooled separate Accounts	13,096,574
Net appreciation in the fair value of SCI common stock	12,624,405
Realized loss on sale of SCI common stock	(227,279)
 Total investment income	 26,845,501
 Total additions	 67,068,681
 Deductions from net assets attributed to:	
Distributions to participants	29,375,132
Administrative expenses	291,886
 Total deductions	 29,667,018
 Net increase	 37,401,663
 Net assets available for benefits:	
Beginning of period, as previously reported	192,418,738
Prior period adjustment for 2005 corrective distributions	(1,686,921)
 Beginning of period, as adjusted	 190,731,817
 End of period	 \$ 228,133,480
 See notes to financial statements.	

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**THE SCI 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1. Plan Description**

**General**

The following description of The SCI 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan (the Plan) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Summary Plan Description or the Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

The Plan, established July 1, 2000, is a defined contribution plan for the exclusive benefit of Service Corporation International's (SCI or the Company) United States non-union employees. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan's assets are held by Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company and participant accounts are maintained by MassMutual Retirement Services. Investors Bank & Trust Company serves as the trustee for the SCI Common Stock Fund. Service Corporation International serves as Plan Administrator.

**Contributions**

Eligible employees can participate in the Plan after completing three months of service and attaining age 21.

Employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement in which retirement benefits are provided are not eligible under the Plan. The election to contribute to the Plan is voluntary. Employees are initially enrolled in the Plan, after meeting eligibility requirements, to contribute 3% of pretax annual compensation, unless participation is specifically rejected by such employees. Participants may contribute up to a maximum of 50% of pretax annual compensation. Each individual's participant contributions were limited to \$15,000 in 2006. An additional catch-up contribution of \$5,000 was allowed for employees aged 50 and over.

The Company contributes a matching amount up to 6% of the participant's pretax annual compensation. The percentage of the match is based on years of vesting service with the Company and ranges from 75% to 135% of the employee's eligible contribution. Additional amounts may be contributed at the Company's discretion. There were no discretionary Company contributions for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Effective January 1, 2005, the Company began to contribute cash to fund the Company's matching contribution to the Plan and discontinued funding through the issuance of Company common stock or treasury stock.

**Participant Accounts**

Participant account balances are valued based upon the number of units of each investment fund owned by the participants. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of the Company's contributions and plan earnings or losses. Forfeited balances of terminated participants' non-vested accounts are used to reduce administrative expenses and future Company contributions. Forfeited balances were \$1,129,548 for the year ended December 31, 2006.

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**Vesting**

Participants are fully vested in their deferred salary and rollover contributions. Participants are not vested in Company contributions until they complete three years of vesting service with the Company thus becoming 100% vested.

**Participant Loans**

Participants may borrow from their accounts up to one half of their vested account balance to a maximum of \$50,000. The minimum amount that may be borrowed is \$1,000. Loans are to be repaid within five years, unless the loan is used to purchase a primary residence. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest fixed at 1% above the prime rate at the date of inception. A participant may have no more than two loans outstanding at any one time.

**Participant Distributions**

The Plan provides for several different types of participant withdrawals. Participants who have reached age 59<sup>1/2</sup> may make in-service withdrawals. Participants may make withdrawals before age 59<sup>1/2</sup> if they qualify for certain hardship withdrawals. Upon termination of service with the Company or death, the participant or beneficiary may receive a lump-sum amount equal to the vested amount in the participant's account. A participant whose account balance exceeds \$5,000 may elect a deferred distribution until age 70<sup>1/2</sup>.

**Plan Termination**

The Company expects the Plan to continue indefinitely, however, it reserves the right to terminate or amend the Plan to eliminate future benefits. If the Plan is terminated, participants will become 100% vested and account balances will be distributed by a lump-sum payment.

**Prior Period Adjustment**

The prior period adjustment reflects the excess contributions payable and a decrease to net assets available for benefits of \$1,686,921 at December 31, 2005. The excess contributions payable were refunded to certain participants and the Plan Sponsor in March, 2006.

**2. Summary of Accounting Policies**

**Principles of Reporting**

The financial statements and schedules have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial reporting requirements of ERISA and are maintained on an accrual basis except for participant distributions, which are reported when paid.



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**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that may affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. As a result, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Investments**

Investments are stated at fair value, which is determined by quoted market prices. Participant loans are valued at their outstanding balances, which approximates fair value.

In 2005, a self-directed investment account was established for each participant who directed an investment outside of the investment options designated by the Plan Administrator. The self-directed account shall not share in trust fund earnings but will be charged or credited as appropriate with net earnings, gains, losses, and expenses, as well as any appreciation (depreciation) in market value attributable to such account during each plan year. State Street Global Market is asset custodian for the self-directed investment accounts.

Net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of the pooled separate accounts consists of net realized and unrealized appreciation (depreciation). Each investment fund's appreciation (depreciation) is allocated to participants based upon their proportionate share of assets in each investment fund.

**Risks and Uncertainties**

The Plan provides for several investment options, which are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate risk, market risk and credit risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in risks in the near term could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits and the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits.

**Administrative Expense**

Administrative expenses represent record keeping fees paid to MassMutual. Legal and audit fees are paid by SCI.

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Investments that comprised 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for benefits are as follows:

	December 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
MassMutual Small Cap Value Fund	\$ *	\$14,909,515
MassMutual Sel Small Company Value Fund	13,402,512	*
MassMutual Sel Large Cap Value Fund	19,370,555	*
MassMutual Large Cap Value Fund	*	16,692,861
MassMutual Small Cap Growth Equity Fund	15,325,550	*
MassMutual Small Company Value Fund	*	9,852,509
MassMutual Sel Overseas Fund	22,129,296	11,824,213
MassMutual Premier Cap Appreciation Fund	10,766,923	9,575,532
MassMutual Stable Income Fund	47,214,840	34,673,188
MassMutual Total Return Fund	*	10,927,892
SCI Common Stock	62,465,745	58,938,086

\* Amount is less than 5% of net assets available for Plan benefits.

**4. Excess Contributions**

Benefit distributions of \$29,375,132 for the plan year ended December 31, 2006 include payments of \$1,067,106 made to certain active participants and SCI to return to them excess deferral and matching contributions as required to satisfy the relevant nondiscrimination provisions of the Plan. That amount is also included in the plan's statements of net assets available for benefits as excess contributions payable at December 31, 2006. The excess contributions were refunded to certain participants and the Plan Sponsor in March, 2007.

**5. Income Taxes**

A determination letter was received June 30, 2004 from the Internal Revenue Service which declared that the Plan qualifies under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as being exempt from income taxes. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter and the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, the administrator believes that the Plan was qualified and was tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

**6. Party-in-Interest**

The Plan invests in various funds offered by Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. These investments are considered party-in-interest transactions because Mass Mutual serves as asset custodian for the Plan. The Plan Administrator has approved of these investment options.

**7. Plan Amendments**

Effective January 1, 2005, Participants contributing the maximum 50% of compensation as elective deferrals may elect to make catch-up contributions simultaneously with such elective deferrals, provided that the combined catch-up and elective deferrals do not exceed 90% of compensation in any payroll period.

Effective March 28, 2005, mandatory distributions greater than \$1,000 will be paid in a direct rollover to an individual retirement plan designated by the Plan Administrator if the Participant does not elect to have such distribution paid directly to an eligible retirement plan specified by the Participant in a direct rollover or to receive the distribution directly in accordance with Section 6.4(a) or Section 6.6(f) of the Plan.

Effective April 1, 2005, the Plan was amended to allow employees the choice to allocate the Company's matching contributions to a variety of investment options.



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**THE SCI 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN**  
**Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**  
**December 31, 2006**  
**EIN: 74-1488375 PIN: 002**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party	Description of investment	Cost	Current Value	
	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Sel Small Company Value Fund	**	13,402,512
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Sel Large Cap Value Fund	**	19,370,555
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Small Cap Growth Equity Fund	**	15,325,550
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Sel Overseas Fund	**	22,129,296
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Premier Cap Appreciation Fund	**	10,766,923
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Stable Income Fund	**	47,214,840
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Total Return Fund	**	9,623,804
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Destination Retirement 2010	**	3,913,891
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Destination Retirement 2020	**	4,019,526
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Destination Retirement 2030	**	1,854,831
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Destination Retirement 2040	**	883,080
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Destination Retirement Income	**	2,479,628
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Indexed Equity Fund	**	2,723,731
*	Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co	MassMutual Government Money Market	**	342,687
*	State Street	Self-Directed Account	**	325,094
*	Service Corporation International	SCI Common Stock	**	62,465,745
*	Investors Bank & Trust Company	Interest Bearing Cash	**	1,629,047
*	Participant Loans	Loans with interest rates of 5.00% to 9.25%	-0-	9,574,924
				\$ 228,045,664

\* Party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

\*\* Cost omitted for participant directed investments.

See accompanying Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.



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**SIGNATURE**

The Plan pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The SCI 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan

Date: June 29, 2007

By: SCI Funeral and Cemetery Purchasing Cooperative, Inc.

By: /s/ Ellen LeBlanc

Ellen LeBlanc  
President of SCI Funeral and Cemetery Purchasing  
Cooperative, Inc.

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Exhibit

23.1 CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM