SMART & FINAL INC/DE Form 8-K March 24, 2005

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)

March 21, 2005

SMART & FINAL INC.

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ Registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Delaware (State of Incorporation)

001-10811 (Commission File Number) 95-4079584 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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600 Citadel Drive

City of Commerce, California (Address of principal executive offices)

90040 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (323) 869-7500

 $(Former\ name\ or\ former\ address,\ if\ changed\ since\ last\ report.)$

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Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 21, 2005, Casino Guichard-Perrachon S.A. (Groupe Casino), the indirect majority shareholder in Smart & Final Inc. (the Company), announced that Pierre Bouchut has left his position as Chief Executive Officer of Groupe Casino effective immediately. Mr. Bouchut has also served as a director of the Company since 1994.

The Company anticipates that, according to its bylaws, the Governance Committee of the Board of Directors will meet to consider nominations for members of the Board of Directors, to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders currently scheduled for May 20, 2005.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly authorized this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SMART & FINAL INC.

Date: March 24, 2005 By: /s/ Richard N. Phegley

Richard N. Phegley Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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