

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY CO  
Form 6-K  
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**FORM 6-K**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of May, 2006

Commission File Number: 001-02413

**Canadian National Railway Company**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**935 de la Gauchetiere Street West  
Montreal, Quebec  
Canada H3B 2M9**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Form 20-F

Form 40-F

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Yes

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Item 1

North America's Railroad

***News***  
***FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE***

Stock symbols: TSX: CNR / NYSE: CNI

[www.cn.ca](http://www.cn.ca)

**CN files shelf prospectus for US\$1.5 billion of debt securities**

**MONTREAL, May 1, 2006** CN today filed a preliminary shelf prospectus with Canadian securities regulators and a registration statement with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), providing for the issuance by CN of up to US\$1.5 billion of debt securities in Canadian and U.S. markets over the next two years.

CN expects to use net proceeds from the sale of debt securities under the shelf prospectus for general corporate purposes, including the redemption and refinancing of outstanding debt, share repurchases, acquisitions, and other business opportunities.

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A registration statement related to these debt securities has been filed with the SEC; however, it is not yet effective. Securities may not be sold, nor may offers to buy be accepted, before the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the securities, nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such jurisdiction.

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A copy of the preliminary shelf prospectus will be available on the Canadian Securities Administrators' web site, [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com), or from the SEC, or may be obtained on request from the Corporate Secretary, Canadian National Railway Company, 935 de La Gauchetiere Street West, Montreal, Quebec H3B 2M9 (telephone: 514-399-7091).

This news release contains forward-looking statements. CN cautions that, by their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainties, including the assumption that the positive economic trends in North America and Asia will continue, and that its results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in such statements. Reference should be made to CN's most recent Form 40-F filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, its Annual Information Form filed with the Canadian securities regulators, and its 2005 Annual Consolidated Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis, for a summary of major risks.

Canadian National Railway Company spans Canada and mid-America, from the Atlantic and Pacific oceans to the Gulf of Mexico, serving the ports of Vancouver, Prince Rupert, B.C., Montreal, Halifax, New Orleans, and Mobile, Ala., and the key cities of Toronto, Buffalo, Chicago, Detroit, Duluth, Minn./Superior, Wis., Green Bay, Wis., Minneapolis/St. Paul, Memphis, St. Louis, and Jackson, Miss., with connections to all points in North America.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

**Canadian National Railway Company**

Date: May 1, 2006

By: /s/ Cristina Circelli

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Name: Cristina Circelli

Title: Deputy Corporate Secretary and  
General Counsel

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