### **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): April 4, 2006 (March 31, 2006)

# THE NASDAQ STOCK MARKET, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 000-32651 (Commission File Number) 52-1165937 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

One Liberty Plaza, New York, New York 10006

Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 401-8700

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#### Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On March 31, 2006, we eliminated the Certificates of Designation of our Series A Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock and Series C Cumulative Preferred Stock by filing with the Delaware Secretary of State the Certificate of Elimination, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 3.1 to this Report and incorporated herein by reference. There were no shares outstanding in any of the three series that were being eliminated.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

3.1 Certificate of Elimination

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 4, 2006 THE NASDAQ STOCK MARKET, INC.

By: /s/ Edward S. Knight Edward S. Knight

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

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