CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP Form 8-K December 15, 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 15, 2006

Crown Castle International Corp. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 001-16441 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of Incorporation) 76-0470458 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

510 Bering Drive Suite 600 Houston, TX 77057 (Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 570-3000

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## ITEM 2.03 - CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANCIAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT

On December 15, 2006, Crown Castle International Corp. ("Company") entered into a forward-starting interest rate swap agreement with a notional amount equal to \$1.55 billion, to hedge the variability of future interest rates in anticipation of the refinancing of \$1.55 billion of Tower Revenue Notes by a subsidiary of the Company, which is expected to occur on or before November 15, 2011. Under the swap agreement, the Company has agreed to pay a fixed interest rate of approximately 5.14%, beginning on or before November 15, 2011 through November 15, 2016, in exchange for receiving floating payments based on three-month LIBOR on the same \$1.55 billion notional amount for the same five-year period. The swap agreements will be cash settled, in accordance with its terms, on or before November 15, 2011.

### **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.

#### CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By: /s/ E. Blake Hawk Name: E. Blake Hawk

Title: Executive Vice President and

General Counsel

Date: December 15, 2006