

CELANESE CORP

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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) : **September 22, 2005**

CELANESE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-32410

(Commission File
Number)

98-0420726

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1601 West LBJ Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75234-6034

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code : **(972) 901-4500**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report):

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On September 22, 2005, Celanese Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it has closed its plants in Clear Lake, Pasadena, Bay City and Bishop, Texas in preparation for Hurricane Rita. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K ("Current Report") as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein solely for purposes of this Item 7.01 disclosure.

The information in this Current Report, including the exhibit attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section. The information in this Current Report,

including the exhibit, shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended or the Exchange Act, regardless of any incorporation by reference language in any such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated September 22, 2005

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.

CELANESE CORPORATION

By: /s/ John J. Gallagher III

Name: John J. Gallagher III
Title: Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 22, 2005

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Investor/Press Information

Celanese
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Celanese Initiates Controlled Shutdown of Texas Gulf Coast Plants Due to Hurricane Rita

DALLAS, Texas, September 22, 2005 – Celanese Corporation today announced that it has closed its plants in Clear Lake, Pasadena, Bay City and Bishop, Texas in preparation for Hurricane Rita. Ensuring the safety of Celanese employees at these plants and securing the facilities are the company's foremost priorities. As a result of the closures, Celanese's ability to supply its customers' product needs will be impacted, at a minimum, for the duration of the shutdowns.

"We have evacuated all non-essential employees and completed an orderly shutdown of these plants as part of our hurricane preparation plan to ensure, first and foremost, the safety of our employees and the nearby community," said David Weidman, president and chief executive officer. "Once we assess the effect of Hurricane Rita on overall operations, we will work with our customers to minimize disruptions and meet their product needs. We will stay in close communication with employees and customers on the status of the plants' operations."

Given the hurricane's current trajectory and the shutdown of the facilities, there will likely be an impact on the company's financial guidance. The company will provide additional information when available.

Celanese Corporation (NYSE:CE) is an integrated global producer of value-added industrial chemicals based in Dallas, Texas. The Company has four major businesses: Chemical Products, Technical Polymers Ticona, Acetate Products and Performance Products. Celanese has production plants in North America, Europe and Asia. In 2004, Celanese Corporation and its predecessor had combined net sales of \$5.1 billion. The presentation of combined net sales of Celanese Corporation with its predecessor is not in accordance with U.S. GAAP. For more information on Celanese Corporation including a reconciliation of the combined net sales, please visit the company's web site at www.celanese.com.

Forward-looking statements (statements which are not historical facts) in this release are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Investors are cautioned that all forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, including those risks and uncertainties detailed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, copies of which are available from the Company.

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