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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): December 7, 2005

# The New York Times Company

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

New York (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-5837 (Commission File Number) 13-1102020 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**229** West 43rd Street, New York, New York (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**10036** (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 556-1234

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

#### ITEM 2.05 Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities

This Current Report on Form 8-K updates the Company s Form 8-K filing on September 21, 2005. In it, the Company disclosed plans for staff reductions. It also updates its filing on October 19, 2005, in which the Company said the total charges for these staff reductions would be \$35 to \$45 million and would be recorded over three quarters, starting with the fourth quarter of 2005.

The Company now estimates the total charges will be \$40 to \$50 million. They are expected to be recorded over the next two quarters, beginning in the fourth quarter of 2005. Substantially all of the charges will be one-time severance and benefit costs, which will result in cash expenditures. The exact cost will depend on the final composition and seniority of the affected employees. The timing will depend on the full implementation of the staff reductions.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY

Date: December 7, 2005 By: /s/ Rhonda L. Brauer

Rhonda L. Brauer

Secretary and Senior Counsel

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