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DONEGAL GROUP INC Form 8-K September 27, 2005

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): September 26, 2005

Donegal Group Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-15341 23-02424711

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. employer of incorporation) file number) identification no.)

1195 River Road, Marietta, Pennsylvania 17547

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 717-426-1931

N/A

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

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

We recently announced that certain member companies of the Donegal Insurance Group had entered into an agreement with The Shelby Insurance Company and Shelby Casualty Insurance Company. The agreement grants those members the right, in their discretion and subject to their traditional underwriting and agency appointment standards, to offer renewal or replacement policies to the holders of the Shelby companies automobile, homeowners and dwelling fire policies in Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Alabama. The Shelby companies are withdrawing from those three states.

We are also pleased to report that our losses occasioned by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita are not expected to have a material impact on our results of operations for the quarter ending September 30, 2005. Total losses from these hurricanes reported to date approximate \$250,000.

On September 26, 2005, Ralph G. Spontak, who had been serving as our Senior Vice President, Investor Relations and Acquisitions since April 2005, resigned all of his positions with us. Mr. Spontak had served as our Chief Financial Officer from 1986 to April 2005 and also had previously served as the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Donegal Mutual Insurance Company.

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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.

DONEGAL GROUP INC.

By: /s/ Donald H. Nikolaus Donald H. Nikolaus, President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 27, 2005