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RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP
Form 8-K
May 23, 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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 23, 2006

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION
(exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of corporation)	000-21430 (Commission File Number)	88-0296885 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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2901 Las Vegas Boulevard Las Vegas, Nevada (Address of principal office)	89109 (Zip code)
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Registrant's Telephone number, including area code	(702) 794-9237
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(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):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 8 - Other Events
Item 8.01 - Other Events.

Riviera Holdings Corporation announced through a press release the appointment of Mark Lefever as its Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

99.1 Riviera Holdings Corporation press release, dated May 23, 2006.

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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.

Date: May 23, 2006

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Tullio Marchionne
Secretary

