FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORP Form 8-K November 02, 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) November 1, 2006 _____

FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORPORATION _____

(Exact Name Of Registrant As Specified In Its Charter)

MASSACHUSETTS (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-13579

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(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

04-2053130

1855 Boston Road, Wilbraham, rea

(413) 731-4000 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

On November 1, 2006, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Friendly Ice Cream Corporation (the "Company"), approved the issuance of restricted stock units and stock options to members of the Company's Board of Directors pursuant to and subject to the terms of the Company's 2003 Incentive Plan, as amended (the "2003 Incentive Plan"). Subject to the terms of the 2003 Incentive Plan, each restricted stock unit provides the holder with the right to receive one share of common stock of the Company when the restrictions lapse or vest. The restricted stock units vest on November 1, 2009, if the recipient is a member of the Company's Board of Directors on such date, subject to accelerated vesting in the event of a change in control or the director's death, disability or retirement. The stock options have an exercise price of \$10.61 per share and vest in three equal annual installments commencing on November 1, 2007. The following table sets forth the number of restricted stock units and stock options awarded to each of the directors listed below.

Name	Restricted Stock Units		
Donald J. Smith			
Chairman of the Board	6,000	4,000	
Steven L. Ezzes Chairman of the Audit Committee			
	6,000	6,000	
Michael J. Daly			
Chairman of the Compensation Committee	6,000	5,000	
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Burton J. Manning	6,000	4,000	
Perry J. Odak	6,000	4,000	

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 2, 2006

FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORPORATION

By: /s/ PAUL V. HOAGLAND

Name: Paul V. Hoagland Title: Executive Vice President of Administration and Chief Financial Officer