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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): April 3, 2006

THE AES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-12291 (Commission File Number) 54-1163725 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

4300 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1100, Arlington, Virginia

(Address of principal executive offices)

22203 (zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (703) 522-1315

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.):

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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 8.01 Other Events

On April 3, 2006, The AES Corporation (the Company) announced that it had defaulted on its \$600 million senior unsecured credit facility due to the restatement of its 2004 financial statements. The credit facility is a syndicated loan and letter of credit facility lead arranged by Merrill Lynch. The Company obtained a waiver of the default on April 3, 2006. The credit facility will be used for general corporate purposes and to provide letters of credit to support AES s investment commitment as well as the underlying funding for the equity portion of its investment in AES Maritza East 1 on an intermediate-term basis.

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Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

Waiver No. 1 to the Credit Agreement dated as of March 31, 2006 among The AES Corporation as Borrower, Merrill Lynch Capital Corporation as Administrative Agent, Merrill Lynch & Co., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as

Lead Arranger.

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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.

THE AES CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Vincent W. Mathis

Name: Vincent W. Mathis
Title: Deputy General Counsel

Date: April 3, 2006

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