Nalco Holding CO Form 8-K July 20, 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: July 20, 2006

#### NALCO HOLDING COMPANY

Delaware 001-32342 16-1701300

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1601 W. Diehl Rd., Naperville, IL 60563

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

#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On July 19, 2006, Nalco Company (the "Company"), a subsidiary of Nalco Holding Company, entered into a second Consulting Agreement with John L. Gigerich to supervise the Company's information technology, customer service activities and its business reorganization project, for a period of up to two and one-half years. Mr. Gigerich will have the consulting title of Vice President, Administration. The Consulting Agreement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is furnished pursuant to Item 9.01 of Form 8-K:

99.1 Consulting Agreement, with a term through December 31, 2008, between Nalco Company and John L. Gigerich.

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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.

## NALCO HOLDING COMPANY

/s/ Stephen N. Landsman Secretary

Date: July 20, 2006