

WESTWOOD ONE INC /DE/

Form 8-K

December 12, 2005

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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): December 6, 2005

**WESTWOOD ONE, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**001-14691**

**95-3980449**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)

**40 West 57<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY**

**10019**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(212) 641-2000**

(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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**Section 2 Financial Information**

Item 2.02 Results of  
Operations and  
Financial  
Condition.

On December 8, 2005, Westwood One, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release updating its financial guidance for the fourth quarter 2005. A copy of such press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

Item 5.02 Departure of  
Directors or  
Principal  
Officers;  
Election of  
Directors;  
Appointment of  
Principal  
Officers.

(b) On December 8, 2005, Shane Coppola resigned from his position as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company and as a director of the Company, effective on such date. Commencing on such date and continuing through June 30, 2007, Mr. Coppola will serve as a consultant to the Company. In exchange for such consulting services: (i) Mr. Coppola will receive 45,000 restricted stock units ( RSUs ) of the Company pursuant to the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan; and (ii) all stock options held by Mr. Coppola on December 8, 2005 shall continue to vest in accordance with their current terms through and including June 30, 2007. Mr. Coppola also has agreed that during such consulting period, he will not engage or participate in any business competitive with the Company. Subject to certain conditions, including Mr. Coppola's material compliance with his consulting agreement, 25,000 RSUs will vest on December 31, 2006 and the remaining 20,000 RSUs will vest on June 30, 2007. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Company elects to terminate Mr. Coppola's consulting agreement without cause: (i) all 45,000 RSUs will vest upon such termination; and (ii) all stock options held by Mr. Coppola on December 8, 2005 that would have vested in accordance with their terms on or prior to June 30, 2007 will immediately vest. A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Coppola's resignation is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

(c) In connection with Mr. Coppola's resignation, Joel Hollander was appointed interim President and Chief Executive Officer effective December 8, 2005. Mr. Coppola's services were, and Mr. Hollander's services will be, provided by Infinity Broadcasting Corporation ( Infinity ) to the Company in accordance with Infinity's existing agreement to manage the Company (the Management Agreement ) and provide it with a chief executive officer. Mr. Coppola was an employee of a unit of Infinity. A copy of the Management Agreement was previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) as Exhibit 10.17 to its Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 4, 1999 and the amendment thereto was filed with the SEC as Annex A to the Company's proxy statement on April 25, 2002.

Mr. Hollander, 49, has served as a Class III director of the Company since September 22, 1999 and will serve as the Company's interim President and Chief Executive Officer until Infinity and the Board of Directors ( Board ) complete their search for a permanent successor. Since January 2005, he has been the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Infinity, which, in addition to managing the Company as described above, is the largest holder of the Company's common stock, holding, as of October 31, 2005, approximately 18.1% of the Company's outstanding common shares as of October 31, 2005 through its subsidiary, Infinity Network, Inc. Prior to becoming Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Infinity, Mr. Hollander served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Infinity from 2003 to 2005. He was the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer from October 1998 to May 2003.

In addition to the Management Agreement, the Company also enters into other transactions with Infinity in the normal course of business. Such transactions are more fully described in the Company's filings with the SEC, including its proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 29, 2005 and its Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 16, 2005.

(d) On December 6, 2005, the Board appointed Class II director Albert Carnesale to serve on the Audit Committee of the Board. Mr. Carnesale also serves on the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board.

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**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Item 9.01 Financial  
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(d) Exhibits.

The following is a list of the exhibits filed as a part of this Form 8-K:

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release, dated December 8, 2005, updating fourth quarter 2005 financial guidance.
99.2	Press Release, dated December 8, 2005, announcing the resignation of Shane Coppola as President and Chief Executive Officer, and as a director, of the Company and the appointment of Joel Hollander as interim President and Chief Executive Officer.

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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.

**WESTWOOD ONE, INC.**

Date: December 12, 2005

By: /s/ David Hillman

Name: David Hillman

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

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