REALTY INCOME CORP Form 8-K March 29, 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

March 24, 2006

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

## REALTY INCOME CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-13374 (Commission File Number) 33-0580106 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

220 West Crest Street Escondido, California 92025-1707

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(760) 741-2111

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(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:

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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 March 24, 2006, Realty Income Corporation (the Company) entered into a purchase agreement with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., Raymond James & Associates, Inc. and Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as the representatives of the underwriters (the Underwriters), pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell 5,200,000 shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$1.00 per share, plus up to an additional 780,000 shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$1.00 per share, if the Underwriters exercise their overallotment option in full. Upon the closing of this offering, based on shares outstanding as of March 22, 2006, the number of shares of common stock outstanding will increase to 89,089,114 shares, excluding the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Underwriters over-allotment option. The additional shares have been initially priced at \$24.39 per share. The Company intends to use most or all of the net proceeds from the offering (approximately \$120.6 million, or approximately \$138.7 million if the Underwriters overallotment option is exercised in full, in each case, after deducting the discount to the Underwriters but before estimated expenses payable by the Company) to repay borrowings outstanding under our \$300 million acquisition credit facility and the remaining net proceeds, if any, for other general corporate purposes.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
- 1.1 Purchase Agreement, dated March 24, 2006, between the Underwriters and the Company.
- 5.1 Opinion of Venable LLP
- 23.1 Consent of Venable LLP (contained in the opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto).

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### REALTY INCOME CORPORATION

Date: March 29, 2006 By: /s/ Michael R. Pfeiffer

Name: Michael R. Pfeiffer

Title: Executive Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

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