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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 5, 2001

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE	1-5823	36-6169860
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of Incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)
CNA PLAZA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS		60685
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code		(312) 822-5000
(Former Name or Former Add	dress, if Changed Since	e Last Report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS Exhibit No. Description

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99.04 On December 5, 2001 CNA Financial Corporation issued a press release announcing its estimate for potential losses associated with the recent filing by certain Enron entities for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.04 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Date: December 5, 2001

By: /s/ ROBERT V. DEUTSCH

Robert V. Deutsch Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer