DOLE FOOD CO INC

Form 8-K

October 27, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
Date of Report: **October 26, 2006**
DOLE FOOD COMPANY, INC.
Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	**1-4455**	**99-0035300**
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Dole Drive
Westlake Village, California 91362
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: **(818) 879-6600**

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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o   Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Section 5. Corporate Governance and Management
Item 5.02. Departure of Director
On October 26, 2006, Dole Food Company, Inc. received a letter dated October 23, 2006 from Richard M. Ferry, which stated that Mr. Ferry, 69, is resigning as a director of Dole Food Company, Inc., such resignation to be immediately effective.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

October 27, 2006

Dole Food Company, Inc.
Registrant

By: /s/ JOSEPH S. TESORIERO
        Joseph S. Tesoriero
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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