

**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)  
October 20, 2005**

**STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**DELAWARE**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001-10435**  
(Commission File Number)

**06-0633559**  
(IRS Employer Identification  
Number)

**ONE LACEY PLACE, SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT 06890**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(203) 259-7843**

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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## **Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On October 20, 2005, the Company issued a press release to stockholders and other interested parties regarding the suspension of the fourth quarter 2005 dividend. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

### **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, hereunto duly authorized.

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.

By: /S/ THOMAS A. DINEEN  
Name: Thomas A. Dineen  
Title: Principal Financial Officer,  
Treasurer and Chief Financial  
Officer

Dated: October 20, 2005

### **INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release of Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc., dated October 20, 2005, reporting the suspension of the fourth quarter 2005 dividend.



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**SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT 06890 U.S.A.**

October 20, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Mr. Thomas A. Dineen  
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer  
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## **STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC. SUSPENDS QUARTERLY DIVIDEND**

SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT, October 20 - Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. (NYSE: RGR) announced today that its Board of Directors voted to forego a quarterly dividend on the Company's issued and outstanding shares of common stock in the fourth quarter of 2005.

"The Company's present earnings do not support a fourth quarter dividend. Under these circumstances, we felt it fiscally prudent to temporarily suspend the dividend," commented Chairman William B. Ruger, Jr.

Sturm, Ruger was founded in 1949. Since 1950 it has never failed to show an annual profit and has never required financing from outside sources. The Company is the nation's leading manufacturer of high-quality firearms for recreation and law enforcement, and a major producer of precision steel and titanium investment castings components for consumer industries. Sturm, Ruger is headquartered in Southport, CT, with plants and foundries located in Newport, NH and Prescott, AZ.