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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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	FORM 8-K	
CU Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d	RRENT REPORT) of the Securities E	xchange Act of 1934
М	arch 3, 2006	
Date of Report (Dat	e of Earliest Event R	eported)
	ITRON, INC.	
(Exact Name of Registr	ant as Specified in i	ts Charter)
Washington	000-22418	91-1011792
(State or Other Jurisdiction (of Incorporation)	Commission File No.)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
2818 N. Sulliva	n Road, Spokane, WA 9	9216
(Address of Principa	l Executive Offices,	Zip Code)
(5	09) 924-9900	
(Registrant's Telepho	ne Number, Including	Area Code)
	None	
(Former Name or Former Ad	dress, if Changed Sin	ce Last Report)
Check the appropriate box below if simultaneously satisfy the filing ofollowing provisions:		
[] Written communications pursuant (17 CFR 230.425)	to Rule 425 under Se	curities Act
[] Soliciting material pursuant to (17 CFR 240.14a-12)	Rule 14a-12 under th	e Exchange Act
[] Pre-commencement communications Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))	pursuant to Rule 14d	-2(b) under the Exchange
[] Pre-commencement communications Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	pursuant to Rule 13e	-4(c) under the Exchange

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 3, 2006, Itron made a \$10 million optional prepayment on a \$185 million seven-year senior secured term loan (term loan), completing the payoff of this term loan. The term loan originated July 1, 2004 to finance the acquisition of the Electricity Metering business. The Company continues to maintain a \$55 million five-year senior secured revolving credit line (revolver), with the ability to increase the revolver to \$75 million at a future date. Currently, there are no borrowings outstanding under the revolver.

The information presented in this Current Report on Form 8-K may contain forward-looking statements and certain assumptions upon which such forward-looking statements are in part based. Numerous important factors, including those factors identified in Itron, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K and other of the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the fact that the assumptions set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K could prove incorrect, could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in such forward-looking statements.

SIGNATURE

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.

ITRON, INC.

Dated: March 3, 2006 By: By: /s/ STEVEN M. HELMBRECHT

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Steven M. Helmbrecht

Sr. Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer