

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

THE PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Pennsylvania  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

25-1435979  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One PNC Plaza  
249 Fifth Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2707  
(412) 762-1553  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area  
code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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THE PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.  
1996 EXECUTIVE INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN  
(Full title of the plan)

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Walter E. Gregg, Jr.  
Vice Chairman  
The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.  
One PNC Plaza  
249 Fifth Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2707  
(412) 762-2281  
(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code,  
of agent for service)

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Calculation of Registration Fee

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Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered(1)	Proposed maximum offering price per share(2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(2)	Amount of registration fee
<S> Common Stock, \$5.00 Par Value(3)	<C> 250,000	<C> \$56.56	<C> \$14,140,000.00	<C> \$3,379.46

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(1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement also covers any additional securities which may become issuable pursuant to stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions, without the need for any post-effective amendment.

- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(h). Calculated on the basis of the average of the high and low sale prices of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported on December 3, 2001 on the New York Stock Exchange, which date is within 5 business days prior to the date of the filing of this Registration Statement.
- (3) Each share of Common Stock includes a Preferred Share Purchase Right pursuant to the Registrant's Rights Agreement.

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#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The purpose of this Registration Statement on Form S-8 is to register 250,000 shares of Common Stock for issuance pursuant to The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. 1996 Executive Incentive Award Plan, as amended (the "Plan").

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#### PART II

##### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

###### ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents, each as filed by The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (the "Corporation" or "PNC") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are incorporated herein by reference:

- - PNC's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000;
- - PNC's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2001, June 30, 2001 and September 30, 2001;
- - PNC's Current Reports on Form 8-K dated as of July 25, 2001 and as of October 29, 2001; and
- - The description of PNC Common Stock contained in the Form 8-A that was filed by the Corporation in September 1987 and the Form 8-A filed on May 23, 2000.

The Corporation also incorporates by reference any additional documents subsequently filed by the Corporation with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act prior to the filing of a post-effective registration statement which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, and each such document shall be a part of this Registration Statement from the respective date of filing of each such document. These documents may include periodic reports, such as Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and Current Reports on Form 8-K (other than information reported under Item 9 of a Current Report), as well as Proxy Statements (other than information such as committee reports that the SEC allows the Corporation not to incorporate by reference). Information in any documents that the Corporation subsequently files with the SEC will automatically update and replace the information previously filed with the information incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement. Any statement or information so modified or replaced shall not be deemed, except as so modified or replaced, to be part of this Registration Statement.

###### ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Pursuant to Sections 1741-1743 of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988 (Act of December 21, 1988, P.L. 1444) ("PA BCL"), we have the power to indemnify our directors and officers against liabilities they may incur in such capacities provided certain standards are met, including good faith and the belief that the particular action is in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Corporation and, with respect to a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. In general, this power to indemnify does not exist in the case of actions against a director or officer by or in the right of the Corporation if the person entitled to indemnification shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Corporation unless and to the extent that the person is adjudged to be fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity. A corporation is required to

indemnify directors and officers against expenses they may incur in defending actions against them in such capacities if they are successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of such actions. Pursuant to Section 1745 of the PA BCL, we have the power to pay expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by a director or officer in a proceeding in advance of the final disposition of the proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director or officer to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined that he or she is not entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation.

Section 1746 of the PA BCL provides that the foregoing provisions shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which a person seeking indemnification may be entitled under, among other things, any by-law provision, provided that no indemnification may be made in any case where the act or failure to act giving rise to the claim for indemnification is determined by a court to have constituted willful misconduct or recklessness.

Our By-Laws generally provide for the mandatory indemnification of directors and officers in accordance with and to the full extent permitted by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as in effect at the time of such indemnification and for mandatory advancement of expenses upon receipt of the required undertaking. Our By-Laws also eliminate, to the maximum extent permitted by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the personal liability of directors for monetary damages for any action taken, or any failure to take any action as a director, except in any case such elimination is not permitted by law.

We have purchased directors' and officers' liability insurance covering certain liabilities that may be incurred by the Corporation's directors and officers in connection with the performance of their duties.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 4.1 Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation, as amended and restated as of April 24, 2001, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.1 to the Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2001. (File No. 1-9718).
- Exhibit 4.2 By-Laws of the Corporation, as amended and restated, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.2 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Corporation's Registration Statement No. 333-65042 on Form S-8 filed on December 6, 2001.
- Exhibit 4.3 Rights Agreement, dated as of May 15, 2000, between the Corporation and The Chase Manhattan Bank, which includes the Form of Right Certificate as Exhibit B and the Summary of Rights to Purchase Preferred Shares as Exhibit C, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 1 to the Corporation's Report on Form 8-A filed May 23, 2000.

- Exhibit 23 Consent of Ernst & Young, LLP, filed herewith.
- Exhibit 24 Powers of Attorney, filed herewith.
- Exhibit 99 The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. 1996 Executive Incentive Award Plan, as amended, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.6 to the Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2001.

ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;
- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration

statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof;

- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering; and
- (4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or

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proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Pittsburgh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on December 6, 2001.

THE PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Robert L. Haunschild

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Robert L. Haunschild,  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date(s) indicated:

<TABLE>  
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SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

<S> * ----- James E. Rohr	<C> Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	<C> December 6, 2001
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/s/ Robert L. Haunschild ----- Robert L. Haunschild	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	December 6, 2001
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* -----	Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	December 6, 2001
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<S>	<C>	<C>
* ----- Walter E. Gregg, Jr.	Vice Chairman and Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- Paul W. Chellgren	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- Robert N. Clay	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- George A. Davidson, Jr.	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- David F. Girard-diCarlo	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- William R. Johnson	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- Bruce C. Lindsay	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- W. Craig McClelland	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- Thomas H. O'Brien </TABLE>	Director	December 6, 2001

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* ----- Jane G. Pepper	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- Lorene K. Steffes	Director	December 6, 2001
* ----- Dennis F. Strigl	Director	December 6, 2001

\* Director December 6, 2001  
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Thomas J. Usher

\* Director December 6, 2001  
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Milton A. Washington

\* Director December 6, 2001  
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Helge H. Wehmeier  
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\*By: /s/ Karen M. Barrett  
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Karen M. Barrett, Attorney-in-Fact,  
pursuant to Powers of Attorney filed  
herewith

Dated: December 6, 2001

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#### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-8, pertaining to The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. 1996 Executive Incentive Award Plan, of our report dated January 31, 2001, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. and subsidiaries incorporated by reference in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

December 4, 2001  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

POWER OF ATTORNEY

THE PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.  
1996 EXECUTIVE INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN

REGISTRATION STATEMENTS

Each of the undersigned directors and/or officers of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. ("PNC"), a Pennsylvania corporation, hereby names, constitutes and appoints Walter E. Gregg, Jr., Karen M. Barrett and Thomas R. Moore, or any of them, each acting alone, as such person's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for such person and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities in connection with one or more registration statements on Form S-8 (or other appropriate form) and/or post-effective amendments to existing registration statements on Form S-8 (or other appropriate form) (such amended registration statement(s) and new registration statement(s) together, the "Registration Statements") for the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), of the offering of up to and including 250,000 shares of PNC common stock in connection with the above-reference plan, and any successor plan or plans, and for the offering of an indeterminate amount of interests of participation in or pursuant to such plan or plans, and in connection with any and all amendments or further amendments to the Registration Statements and all instruments necessary or in connection therewith, including: (1) to sign the Registration Statements and any and all amendments relating thereto (including post-effective amendments), in the name and on behalf of the Corporation and in the name and on behalf of such officer or director of the Corporation; (2) to sign any and all additional registration statements relating to the same offering of securities as the Registration Statements that are filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act; (3) to attest to the seal of the Corporation thereon; and (4) to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission and any applicable securities exchange or securities self-regulatory organization; hereby granting to said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them acting alone, the full power and authority to do and perform every act and thing requisite, necessary or advisable to be done in and about the premises, as fully and to all intents and purposes as any such officer or director might or could do in person; and said persons are authorized to take or cause to be taken any and all such further actions in connection therewith in the name and on behalf of the Corporation as they, in their sole discretion, deem necessary or appropriate;

And each of the undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that any said attorney-in-fact and agent, or any substitute, lawfully does or causes to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the following persons have duly signed this Power of Attorney this 15th day of November, 2001.

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Name/Signature	Capacity
/s/ James E. Rohr ----- James E. Rohr	Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer and Director
/s/ Paul W. Chellgren ----- Paul W. Chellgren	Director
/s/ Robert N. Clay ----- Robert N. Clay	Director
/s/ George A. Davidson, Jr. -----	Director

