

LABRANCHE & CO INC
Form 8-K
May 20, 2004

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): **May 18, 2004**

LaBRANCHE & CO INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-15251
(Commission
File Number)

13-4064735
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

One Exchange Plaza, New York, New York, 10006
(Address of principal executive offices)

10006
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(212) 425-1144**

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure.

On May 18, 2004, LaBranche & Co Inc. issued a press release announcing the closing of the refinancing of certain of its indebtedness. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

None.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

None.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release issued by LaBranche & Co Inc. on May 18, 2004 announcing the closing of the refinancing of its indebtedness.

All other Items of this report are inapplicable.

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.

LABRANCHE & CO INC.

Date: May 19, 2004

By: /s/ Harvey S. Traison
Name: Harvey S. Traison
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
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