## 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): January 12, 2004

# UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INCORPORATED

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Minnesota (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-10864 (Commission File Number) 41-1321939 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**UnitedHealth Group Center** 

9900 Bren Road East

Minnetonka, Minnesota (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

55343 (Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (952) 936-1300

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#### **ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS**

On January 22, 2004, UnitedHealth Group intends to announce its results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2003. UnitedHealth Group expects that these results will be consistent with its previously disclosed outlook for revenues of \$28.7 billion and earnings of at least \$2.91 per share.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This document may contain statements, estimates or projections that constitute forward-looking statements as defined under U.S. federal securities laws. Generally the words believe, expect, intend, estimate, anticipate, project, will and similar expressions identify forward statements, which generally are not historical in nature. By their nature, forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from our historical experience and our present expectations or projections. A list and description of some of the risks and uncertainties can be found in our reports filed with the SEC from time to time, including our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K. You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made. Except to the extent otherwise required by federal securities laws, we do not undertake to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

### **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.

Date: January 12, 2004

By: /s/ David Lubben

David J. Lubben

**General Counsel & Secretary**