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> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): April 26, 2004

RELIANT ENERGY, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of Incorporation)

1-16455

76-065556 (IRS Emplo Identification

1000 MAIN STREET HOUSTON, TEXAS (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77002 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 497-3000

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On April 26, 2004, the registrant changed its name from Reliant Resources, Inc. to Reliant Energy, Inc. The change was effected pursuant to Section 253 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware by the merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary into the registrant. The registrant was the surviving corporation and, pursuant to the merger, its name was changed to Reliant Resources, Inc. The registrant's common stock continues to trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RRI".

- ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS
 - (c) Exhibits.
 - 3.1 Certificate of Ownership and Merger
 - 99.1 Press Release issued by the registrant dated April 22, 2004

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.

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RELIANT ENERGY, INC. (Registrant)

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Michael L. Jines
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

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