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following provisions:

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 27, 2004

ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) Delaware 1-7823 43-1162835 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.) One Busch Place, St. Louis, Missouri 63118 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 314-577-2000 NONE (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

[] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 27, 2004, Registrant issued a press release announcing

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its financial results for the third quarter of 2004. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this report and is incorporated herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99 - Press Release issued by Registrant dated October 27, 2004, reporting Registrant's financial results for the third quarter of 2004.

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.

ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INC. (Registrant)

BY: /s/ John F. Kelly

John F. Kelly

Vice President and Controller

October 27, 2004 (Date)

EXHIBIT INDEX

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