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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) October 19, 2004
City National Corporation
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)
Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)
1-10521 95-2568550
(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.
City National Center 400 North Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)
(310) 888-6000
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)
Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)
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Items 2.02 and 7.01. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION and REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On October 19, 2004, City National Corporation issued a press release reporting its financial results for the quarter ending September 30, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. This information is being furnished under both Item 2.02 (Results of Operations and Financial Condition) and Item 7.01 (Regulation FD Disclosure) of Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Press release dated October 19, 2004 reporting the financial results of City National Corporation for the quarter ending September 30, 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.

CITY NATIONAL CORPORATION

October 19, 2004 /s/ Christopher J. Carey

Christopher J. Carey

Executive V.P. and Chief Financial Officer (Authorized Officer and Principal Financial Officer)