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CITY NATIONAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 20, 2005

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 20, 2005  
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City National Corporation

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-10521

95-2568550

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(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

City National Center  
400 North Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, California

90210

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(310) 888-6000

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Items 2.02 and 7.01 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION  
and REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On April 20, 2005 City National Corporation issued a press release reporting its financial results for quarter ending March 31, 2005. 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 April 20, 2005 reporting the financial results of City National Corporation for the quarter ending March 31, 2005.

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

April 20, 2005

/s/ Christopher J. Carey

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Christopher J. Carey  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Authorized Officer and  
Principal Financial Officer)