

BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO

Form 8-K

August 05, 2004

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**UNITED STATES  
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): **August 5, 2004**

**BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-1136**  
(Commission File Number)

**22-079-0350**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**345 Park Avenue**  
**New York, NY 10154**  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 546-4000

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Incorporated by reference in its entirety is a press release issued by the Registrant on August 5, 2004, attached as Exhibit 99, confirming that on August 4, 2004, it reached a final settlement with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, concluding an investigation concerning wholesaler inventory and accounting matters that began in April 2002.

Item 7(c) . EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99 Press release dated August 4, 2004, confirming that the Registrant has reached a final settlement with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, concluding an investigation concerning wholesaler inventory and accounting matters that began in April 2002.

SIGNATURE

Under the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

By: /s/ Sandra Leung  
Sandra Leung  
Secretary

Dated: August 5, 2004

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