

CORE LABORATORIES N V

Form 8-K

December 22, 2004

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

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

**December 21, 2004 (December 21, 2004)**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

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**Core Laboratories N.V.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number 001-14273**

**The Netherlands**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or organization)

**Not Applicable**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**Herengracht 424  
1017 BZ Amsterdam  
The Netherlands**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**Not Applicable**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(31-20) 420-3191**

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

Recently, we received a request from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to provide a sworn statement and certain information regarding our participation in the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program. The SEC has issued a formal order of investigation that names more than a dozen companies involved in the Oil-for-Food program, including Core Laboratories. In our response today, we have informed the SEC that Core Laboratories does have a subsidiary that had contracts with the United Nations to monitor the quantity of oil sold by the Government of Iraq under the Oil-for-Food Program, but neither the Company nor its subsidiary purchased oil under the Oil-for-Food Program or sold any goods destined for Iraq under the Oil for Food Program.

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**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.

**CORE LABORATORIES, N.V.**

Date: December 21, 2004

By: /s/ John D. Denson  
John D. Denson  
General Counsel, Vice President and  
Secretary