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Form 8-K September 24, 2004

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): September 23, 2004

West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Pennsylvania (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-8036 23-1210010 (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

101 Gordon Drive, PO Box 645,
Lionville, PA 19341-0645
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

610-594-2900 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

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

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 23, 2004 West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's comments on the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board's (the "CSB") presentation regarding the CSB's findings concerning the accident on January 29, 2003 at the Company's Kinston manufacturing facility. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit # Description

 $99.1\,$ West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. Press Release, dated September 23, 2004.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

WEST PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES, INC.

Date: September 24, 2004

/s/ William J. Federici

William J. Federici Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

99.1 West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. Press Release, dated September 23, 2004.