

DUANE READE INC  
Form 8-K  
April 21, 2004

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, DC 20549**

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**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 21, 2004**

**Duane Reade Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-13843**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**04-3164702**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**440 Ninth Avenue New York, New York 10001**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(212) 273-5700**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits**

- a) Financial Statements. Not Applicable
- b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not Applicable
- c) Exhibits

The following materials are attached as exhibits to this Current Report on Form 8-K

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated April 21, 2004

**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On April 21, 2004, Duane Reade Inc. issued a press release containing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 27, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item.

The information contained in Item 12 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the press release) is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information contained in Item 12 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the press release) shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in any such filing.

**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.

DUANE READE INC.  
By: /s/ JOHN K. HENRY

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John K. Henry  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date April 21, 2004

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Print name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

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