

APPLIANCE RECYCLING CENTERS OF AMERICA INC /MN
Form 8-K
December 16, 2004

**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) **December 14, 2004**

Appliance Recycling Centers of America, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-19621
(Commission
File Number)

41-1454591
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

7400 Excelsior Blvd., Minneapolis, MN
(Address of principal executive offices)

55426-4517
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(952) 930-9000**

(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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 12, Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On December 14, 2004, Appliance Recycling Centers of America, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it and its California subsidiary, ARCA-California, have filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California alleging that JACO Environmental, Inc. fraudulently obtained a patent (U.S. Patent No. 6,732,416) in May 2004 covering appliance recycling methods and systems originally developed by ARCA beginning in 1987 and used in serving more than 40 electric utility appliance recycling programs since that time.

ITEM 9.01: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated December 14, 2004
99.2	Complaint

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.

APPLIANCE RECYCLING CENTERS OF AMERICA, INC.

Date: December 14, 2004

/s/ Linda Koenig
Linda Koenig, Vice President of Finance

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