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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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## Item 5. OTHER EVENTS

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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