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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)	October 13, 2004
LINENS 'N THINGS, INC.		
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)		
Delaware	1-12381	22-3463939
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)		(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
6 Brighton Road, Clifton, New Jersey		07015
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (973) 778-1300		
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 Instructions A.2. below):		
_ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
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SECTION 2 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

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Attached and being furnished hereby as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of a press release of Linens 'n Things, Inc. (the "Company") dated October 13, 2004, reporting the Company's estimated sales and earnings results for the third quarter of 2004. Such estimated earnings results as well as all "outlook" information constitute "forward looking" information within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

The press release regarding the Company's 2004 estimated third quarter sales and earnings results include and, where indicated, exclude the expected impact of EITF 02-16. The expected impact of EITF 02-16 is further detailed in, and is reconciled to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as part of the press release. In the Company's view, in discussing its results and financial condition, in order to better measure and to assist the analysis of the Company's period to period operating performance it is important for management and investors to be provided operating performance measures which identify the impact of the EITF 02-16 accounting change on operating results and financial condition. In addition, management feels that is important for investors to understand the manner in which management evaluates the Company's period to period operating performance, thus the inclusion of these non-GAAP measures is intended to provide an additional metric for reviewing performance that management internally uses to evaluate performance on a comparative period-to-period basis in terms of absolute performance and trend performance. Such information is supplemental to information presented in accordance with GAAP, is not intended to represent a presentation in accordance with GAAP, and should not be considered as a substitute for, or superior to, measures of financial performance prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP.

SECTION 9 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Linens 'n Things, Inc., dated October 13, 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 hereunto duly authorized.

LINENS 'N THINGS, INC.

Dated: October 13, 2004 By: /s/ William T. Giles

Name: William T. Giles

Title: Executive Vice President,

Chief Financial Officer

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