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QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC  
Form 8-K  
July 22, 2004

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): July 22, 2004

Commission file number 1-12215

Quest Diagnostics Incorporated  
One Malcolm Avenue  
Teterboro, NJ 07608  
(201) 393-5000

Delaware  
(State of Incorporation)

16-1387862  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

c. Exhibits

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- 99.1 Press release of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated dated July 22, 2004 announcing the expansion of the company's share repurchase program and a quarterly cash dividend.
  - 99.2 Press release of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated dated July 22, 2004 announcing, among other things, its results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2004.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 9, "Regulation FD Disclosure". On July 22, 2004, Quest Diagnostics Incorporated issued a press release announcing the expansion of the company's share repurchase program and a quarterly cash dividend. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 12, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition". On July 22, 2004, Quest Diagnostics Incorporated issued a press release announcing, among other things, its results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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.

July 22, 2004

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED

By: /s/Robert A. Hagemann

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Robert A. Hagemann

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer