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CARNIVAL PLC Form 8-K September 17, 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) September 17, 2004

Carnival Corporation (Exact name of registrant (Exact name of registrant (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) as specified in its charter)

Republic of Panama (State or other jurisdiction (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-9610 (Commission File Number)

59-1562976 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

offices) (Zip Code)

(305) 599-2600 including area code)

None if changed since last report) Carnival plc

England and Wales of incorporation)

1-15136 (Commission File Number)

> None (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3655 N.W. 87th Avenue Carnival House, 5 Gainsford Street Miami, Florida 33178-2428 London SE1 2NE, United Kingdom (Address of principal executive (Address of principal executive) Carnival House, 5 Gainsford Street, (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

011 44 20 7940 5381 (Registrant's telephone number, (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None (Former name or former address, (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Section 2 - Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On September 17, 2004 Carnival Corporation & plc issued a press release entitled "Carnival Corporation & plc Reports Record Third Quarter Earnings and Nine Month Earnings". A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. This information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not incorporated by reference into any filing of either Carnival Corporation or Carnival plc the company, whether made before or after the date of this report, regardless of any general incorporation language in the filing.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release, dated September 17, 2004 (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CARNIVAL CORPORATION CARNIVAL PLC

By: /s/Gerald R. Cahill
By: /s/Gerald R. Cahill

Name: Gerald R. Cahill
Title: Executive Vice President

Title: Executive Vice President

and Chief Financial and
Accounting Officer

and Chief Financial and
Accounting Officer

Date: September 17, 2004 Date: September 17, 2004