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BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO Form 8-K June 28, 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): June 28, 2004

BRISTOL-MYERS SOUIBB COMPANY (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

22-079-0350 Delaware 1-1136 (IRS Employer (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) Identification Number)

of Incorporation)

345 Park Avenue New York, NY 10154

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 546-4000

Item 5. OTHER EVENTS

Incorporated by reference in its entirety is a press release issued by the Registrant on June 28, 2004, attached as exhibit 99.1, concerning the announcement today that it expects to increase its reserves for liabilities related to previously disclosed legal matters by approximately \$400 million. These reserve increases are expected to be reflected as pre-tax charges to the Registrant's Company's earnings in the second quarter of 2004.

Item 7(c) . EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99.1 - Press release dated June 28, 2004, announcing that the Registrant expects to increase its reserves for liabilities by approximately \$400 million for previously disclosed legal matters.

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.

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BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

By: /s/ Sandra Leung

Sandra Leung Secretary

Dated: June 28, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

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	expects to increase its reserves for liabilities.