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December 15, 2004

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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) December 14, 2004 ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) MISSOURI 0-13880 43-1313242 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Identification No.) 201 Evans Lane, St. Louis, Missouri 63121 (Address of principal executive officer) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number including area code: (314) 553-4000 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: [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On December 14, 2004, Engineered Support Systems, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the year ended October 31, 2004. A copy of that press release is filed as an exhibit to this report and is incorporated here by reference.

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The information in this report, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) The following exhibit is filed as part of this report:

Exhibit Number Description

Press Release dated December 14, 2004, issued by Engineered Support Systems, Inc.

SIGNATURES

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.

ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS, INC.

Date: December 14, 2004 BY: /s/ Gary C. Gerhardt

Gary C. Gerhardt Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer

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