LABRANCHE & CO INC Form 8-K April 07, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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): April 6, 2004

LaBRANCHE & CO INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-15251 (Commission File Number)

13-4064735 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Exchange Plaza, New York, New York, 10006 (Address of principal executive offices) **10006** (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 425-1144

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5.	Other Events a	and Required	FD Disclosure.
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On April 6, 2004, LaBranche & Co Inc. announced that it intends to refinance a substantial portion of its outstanding indebtedness through the issuance of new senior notes. LaBranche & Co Inc. also announced that, as part of the refinancing, it has commenced a cash tender offer and consent solicitation for all of its outstanding 9½% Senior Notes due August 2004 and 12% Senior Subordinated Notes due March 2007. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7.	Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.
(a) None.	Financial Statements of Business Acquired.
(b) None.	Pro Forma Financial Information.
(c)	Exhibits
99.1	Press release issued by LaBranche & Co Inc. on April 6, 2004.
	All other Items of this report are inapplicable.
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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.

LaBranche & Co Inc.

Date: April 6, 2004 By: /s/ George M.L. LaBranche, IV

Name: George M.L. LaBranche, IV

Title: Chairman, Chief Executive

Officer and President

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

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