CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES INC Form 8-K March 18, 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): March 18, 2004

CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-24049 (Commission file number)

04-2372210 (IRS employer identification no.)

200 Clarendon Street, Boston, Massachusetts

(Address of principal executive offices)

02116

(Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (617) 425-3000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 18, 2004, we issued a press release reporting our financial results for our fiscal quarter ended February 20, 2004. A copy of the press release is set forth as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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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.

CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES INCORPORATED

Dated: March 18, 2004 By: /s/ James C. Burrows

James C. Burrows

President and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Number Description

99.1 Press release dated March 18, 2004

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