BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO Form 8-K December 16, 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): December 14, 2004

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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

345 Park Avenue New York, NY, 10154 (Address of Principal Executive Office)

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

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 14, 2004, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company announced it signed a definitive agreement to sell its Oncology Therapeutics Network (OTN) unit to One Equity Partners LLC. The transaction is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2005, pending certain regulatory approvals. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated December 14, 2004, of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

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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.

Date: December 16, 2004

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

By: /s/ Sandra Leung

Name: Sandra Leung Title: Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u> 99.1 Description Press Release, dated December 14, 2004, of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.