AKORN INC Form 8-K August 24, 2004

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

Date of Report: August 24, 2004 (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

Akorn, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Louisiana (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **0-13976** (Commission File Number) 72-0717400 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE BUFFALO GROVE, ILLINOIS

(Address of principal executive offices)

(847) 279-6100

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 (See General Instruction A.2. below):

[] Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Ac (17 CFR 230.425)

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[] Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

[] Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240. 13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 24, 2004, Akorn, Inc. issued a press release announcing its completion of a \$14.1 million private placement of its Series B 6.0% Participating Convertible Preferred Stock. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Form 8-K is being furnished under Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated August 24, 2004 issued by Akorn, Inc.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Akorn, Inc.

By: /s/ Jeffrey A. Whitnell Jeffrey A. Whitnell Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary

Date: August 24, 2004