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December 13, 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: December 7, 2004 (Date of earliest event reported)

21ST CENTURY HOLDING COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-2500111 65-0248866

	e or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of incorporation)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	3661 West Oakland Park Blvd., Suite 300 Lauderdale Lakes, FL	33311
	(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)
	Registrant's telephone number, including area code:	(954) 581-9993
NOT APPLICABLE		
	(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since	
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):		
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Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

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21st Century Holding Company (the "Company") has entered into a First Modification Agreement (the "First Modification") between the Company and Edward J. Lawson, President and Chairman of the Board of the Company. The First Modification, which was approved by the independent directors of the Company on and is dated effective December 7, 2004, amends certain provisions of Mr. Lawson's Employment Agreement with the Company dated September 1, 1998, as follows:

- o The "Base Salary" was amended to reduce Mr. Lawson's annual salary to \$117,000 from \$156,000, effective October 18, 2004.
- o The "Automobile Allowance" was increased to \$1,125 per month from \$300 per month, effective January 1, 2005.

The First Modification Agreement is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

In addition, the Employment Agreement of Michele Lawson, Mr. Lawson's spouse and an employee of the Company, was amended to increase her annual salary to \$117,000 from \$78,000 and to increase her car allowance to \$1,125 per month from \$300 per month.

- Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
 - (c) Exhibits.
 - 10.1 First Modification Agreement, dated as of December 7, 2004 between 21st Century Holding Company and Edward J. Lawson

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.

21ST CENTURY HOLDING COMPANY

Date: December 13, 2004 By: /s/ RICHARD A. WIDDICOMBE

Name: Richard A. Widdicombe Title: Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: December 13, 2004 By: /s/ JAMES GORDON JENNINGS, III

Name: James Gordon Jennings, III Title: Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit Title

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