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Form 8-K  
May 24, 2004

United States  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549-1004

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): May 21, 2004

PITNEY BOWES INC.

Commission File Number: 1-3579

State of Incorporation  
Delaware

IRS Employer Identification No.  
06-0495050

World Headquarters  
1 Elmcroft Road  
Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700  
Telephone Number: (203) 356-5000

Item 5 - Other Events.

The registrant's press release dated May 21, 2004 regarding its acquisition of International Mail Express, Inc.

Item 7 - Financial Statements and Exhibits.

c. Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished in accordance with the provisions of Item 601 of Regulation S-K:

| Exhibit | Description |
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(1) Pitney Bowes Inc. press release dated May 21, 2004.

Signatures  
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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.

PITNEY BOWES INC.

May 24, 2004

/s/ B.P. Nolop  
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B. P. Nolop  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ J.R. Catapano  
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J. R. Catapano  
Controller  
(Principal Accounting Officer)