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 16, 2004

CELLSTAR CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-22972 (Commission File Number) 75-2479727 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1730 Briercroft Court, Carrollton, Texas 75006

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(972) 466-5000

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Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On December 16, 2004, the Board of Directors of CellStar Corporation (the Company) appointed Juan Martinez Jr. as the Company s principal accounting officer. Mr. Martinez, who is 37 years old, currently serves as Vice President Corporate Controller, a position he has held since June of 2004. Prior to that, Mr. Martinez served as Director of Corporate Accounting from October 2002 to May 2004, and as General Accounting Manager from January 1999, when he joined the Company, to September 2002.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Martinez and any other person concerning his appointment as principal accounting officer, nor is Mr. Martinez a party to any transaction, or series of transactions, required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. There are no family relationships between Mr. Martinez and any other director, officer or nominee of the 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.

CELLSTAR CORPORATION

Date: December 21, 2004 By: /s/ Elaine Flud Rodriguez

Name: Elaine Flud Rodriguez

Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel