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METLIFE INC
Form 8-K
August 30, 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 of 1934

Date of Report: August 26, 2004

(Date of earliest event reported)

MetLife, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-15787	13-4075851
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(212) 578-2211

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 communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 26, 2004, MetLife, Inc. ("MetLife") and BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock") issued a joint press release announcing that they have entered into a definitive agreement under which BlackRock will acquire SSRM Holdings, Inc., the holding company of State Street Research & Management Company and SSR Realty Advisors, Inc., from MetLife, subject to the satisfaction of conditions as described therein. MetLife's asset management business is conducted predominantly through SSRM Holdings, Inc.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Joint Press Release of MetLife, Inc. and BlackRock, Inc., dated August 26, 2004, announcing entry into a definitive agreement providing for the sale by MetLife, Inc. of SSRM Holdings, Inc. to BlackRock, Inc.

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

METLIFE, INC.

By: /s/ Gwenn L. Carr

Name: Gwenn L. Carr
Title: Vice-President and Secretary

Date: August 30, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

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