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LASALLE HOTEL PROPERTIES Form 8-K July 15, 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 (Date of earliest event reported): July 15, 2004

LASALLE HOTEL PROPERTIES (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

4800 Montgomery Lane Suite M25 Bethesda, Maryland 20814

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 941-1500

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PROFORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is included with this Report:

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated July 15, 2004 issued by LaSalle Hotel Properties.

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

LaSalle Hotel Properties (NYSE: LHO) today announced an increase in its monthly dividend to \$0.08 per common share of beneficial interest for each of the months of July, August and September 2004. This represents a 14.3 percent increase from the prior monthly dividend and results in a 3.8 percent annualized yield based on the Company's closing share price on July 14, 2004. A copy of the press release is filed as an exhibit to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

NOTE: The information in this report (including the exhibit) is furnished pursuant to Item 9 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. This report will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information contained herein that is required to be disclosed solely by regulation FD.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LASALLE HOTEL PROPERTIES

Dated: July 15, 2004 BY: /s/ HANS WEGER

Hans Weger

Executive Vice President, Treasurer and

Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit			
Number	Description		
99.1	Press release o	<i>-</i>	, 2004 issued by