

DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
September 16, 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): September 15, 2004

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| DELTA AIR LINES, INC.                                  |
| (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) |

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-05424  
(Commission  
File Number)

58-0218548  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

P.O. Box 20706, Atlanta, Georgia 30320-6001  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (404) 715-2600

Registrant's Web site address: www.delta.com

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)
  - .. Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On September 15, 2004, Delta issued a press release announcing the commencement of an offer to exchange up to \$680 million principal amount of three series of newly issued senior secured notes to the holders of \$2.6 billion aggregate principal amount of outstanding unsecured debt securities and enhanced pass through certificates. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

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|  | Exhibit 99.1 | Press Release dated September 15, 2004, titled "Delta Launches Exchange Offer to the Holders of \$2.6 Billion of Outstanding Unsecured Debt Securities and Enhanced Pass Through Certificates as Part of its Efforts to Effect a Successful Out-of-Court Restructuring." |
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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.

DELTA AIR LINES, INC.

By: /s/ Edward H. Bastian  
Edward H. Bastian  
Senior Vice President – Finance and  
Controller

Date: September 15, 2004

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