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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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) October 14, 2004

NetScout Systems, Inc. ______ (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) Delaware _____ (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 0000-26251 _____ (IRS Employer Identification No.) (Commission File Number) 310 Littleton Road, Westford, Massachusetts _____ (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (978) 614-4000 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code) Not Applicable ______ (Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report) 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 1_1 240.14a-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 1_1 Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Section 2--Financial Information

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The following information and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

On October 14, 2004, NetScout Systems, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release regarding its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2004, its expectations of future performance and its intention to hold a conference call regarding these topics. The Company's press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

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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.

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.

October 14, 2004

By: /s/ David P. Sommers

David P. Sommers Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President, General Operations

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated October 14, 2004.

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