

USA TRUCK INC  
Form 8-K  
October 22, 2004

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**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)

**October 21, 2004**

**USA TRUCK, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
  
of Incorporation)

**0-19858**  
(Commission  
  
File Number)

**71-0556971**  
(IRS Employer  
  
Identification No.)

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**3200 Industrial Park Road**

**Van Buren, Arkansas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**72956**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

**(479) 471-2500**

(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:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 21, 2004, the Registrant issued a news release announcing its revenues and earnings for the third quarter of 2004. A copy of the news release is furnished as an exhibit to this Form 8-K. This Form 8-K and the attached exhibit are furnished to but not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 News release issued by the Registrant on October 21, 2004.

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

**Exhibit**

**Number**

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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.

**USA Truck, Inc.**  
*(Registrant)*

Date: October 22, 2004

/s/ ROBERT M. POWELL

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**Robert M. Powell**  
*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*

Date: October 22, 2004

/s/ JERRY D. ORLER

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**Jerry D. Orler**  
*President*

Date: October 22, 2004

/s/ CLIFTON R. BECKHAM

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**Clifton R. Beckham**  
*Sr. Vice President - Finance, Chief  
Financial Officer and Secretary*