

PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES

Form 8-K

January 26, 2005

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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**

**January 26, 2005**

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Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

**PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES**

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**800 Nicollet Mall, Suite 800**  
**Minneapolis, Minnesota**

(Address of Principal Executive  
Offices)

**1-31720**

(Commission File Number)

**(612) 303-6000**

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**30-0168701**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**55402**

(Zip Code)

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  - o 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 January 26, 2005, Piper Jaffray Companies (the Company ) reported its financial results for its fourth fiscal quarter and its fiscal year ended December 31, 2004. See the Company's press release dated January 26, 2005, which is furnished as Exhibit 99 hereto.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit

99 Press Release dated January 26, 2005

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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.

PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES

Date: January 26, 2005

By /s/ Sandra G. Sponem

Sandra G. Sponem  
Chief Financial Officer

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99	Press Release dated January 26, 2005	Filed Electronically