

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 8-K/A

April 22, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Amendment No. 1 to
Form 8-K

on
FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

April 5, 2002

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Florida

1-15799

65-0701248

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

(Commission File
Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

590 Madison Avenue, 34th Floor, New York, New York

10022

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 409-2000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 5. Other Events

Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc. ("Company") today announced the termination of the previously announced letter of intent with Gruntal Financial, L.L.C. ("Gruntal"), pursuant to which the Company was to acquire Gruntal and its broker-dealer affiliates, Gruntal & Co., L.L.C. and The GMS Group, L.C.C., because the parties were unable to reach agreement on definitive terms for the transaction.

The press release announcing the termination of the letter of intent is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statement and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits:

99.1 Press release dated April 22, 2002

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: April 22, 2002

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

By: /s/ J. Bryant Kirkland III

Name: J. Bryant Kirkland III
Title: Chief Financial Officer