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September 27, 2004

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) September 16, 2004

LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

NEW YORK

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-5721

13-2615557

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH, NEW YORK, NEW YORK

10023

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

212-460-1900

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Leucadia National Corporation had previously disclosed that it had filed a notification and report pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 with the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice with respect to acquiring 50% or more of the outstanding common stock of MCI Inc., a telecommunications company (formerly known as WorldCom Inc.), that the waiting period had expired on August 9, 2004, and that it owned 15,738,100 shares of MCI common stock for an aggregate investment of approximately \$245.9 million.

The Company has sold its interest in MCI stock for an aggregate pre-tax gain of approximately \$20 million (inclusive of dividends received), which will be reflected in the Company's third quarter results of operations. The Company's sale of MCI stock should not be interpreted to mean that the Company is no longer interested in acquiring control of MCI, but no assurance can be given that the Company will acquire control of MCI.

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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.

LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: September 24, 2004

/s/ Joseph A. Orlando

Name: Joseph A. Orlando
Title: Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

