APPLERA CORP Form 8-K July 27, 2005

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

July 27, 2005

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

APPLERA CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

1-4389

06-1534213

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

301 Merritt 7

Norwalk, Connecticut 06851

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(203) 840-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

(a) On July 27, 2005, Applera Corporation ("Applera") announced financial results for Applera and its business units for the fourth quarter of its 2005 fiscal year and for its full 2005 fiscal year. Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein is the text of a press release issued on July 27, 2005, with respect to financial results for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2005 and the full 2005 fiscal year of Applera and Applera's Applied Biosystems Group, and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated by reference herein is the text of a press release issued on July 27, 2005, with respect to financial results for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2005 and the full 2005 fiscal year of Applera and Applera's Celera Genomics Group.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed with this Report:

Exhibit No.Description

- 99.1 Press Release issued July 27, 2005, with respect to financial results for Applera and Applera's Applied Biosystems Group.
- Press Release issued July 27, 2005, with respect to financial results for Applera and Applera's Celera Genomics Group.

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.

APPLERA CORPORATION

By: <u>/s/ Dennis L. Winger</u>
Dennis L. Winger
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 27, 2005

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