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FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC  
Form 8-K  
March 03, 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 3, 2005

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

|   |                          |                                      |
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| Delaware  | 1-9318                   | 13-2670991                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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|---|------------|
| One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, California | 94403      |
| (Address of principal executive offices)    | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 312-3000

Not Applicable

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(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 (See General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On March 3, 2005, Franklin Templeton Investments Corp. ("FTIC - Canada"), a Canadian, indirect, wholly-owned investment management subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc., issued a press release announcing the settlement of certain matters with the Ontario Securities Commission. A copy of that press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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In settlement, FTIC - Canada will pay the US\$ equivalent (including related distribution costs) approximating \$42.0 million (\$26.5 million, net of taxes). This amount will be included as a charge to income in the consolidated results of Franklin Resources, Inc.

### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

| EXHIBIT NO.<br>----- | DESCRIPTION<br>-----  |
|----------------------|---|
| 99.1                 | Press Release dated March 3, 2005 issued by Franklin Templeton Investments Corp., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. |

### 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.

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.

Date: March 3, 2005

/s/ Barbara J. Green  
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Barbara J. Green  
Vice President, Deputy General Counsel  
and Secretary

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