

ERESEARCHTECHNOLOGY INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
October 01, 2004

**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: October 1, 2004  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**eResearchTechnology, Inc.**

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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <b>Delaware</b>                                   | <b>0-29100</b>              | <b>22-3264604</b>                       |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| <b>30 South 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA</b>     | <b>19103</b>                |   |
| (Address of principal executive offices)          | (Zip Code)                  |   |

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**215-972-0420**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

On October 1, 2004, eResearchTechnology, Inc. issued a press release updating its financial guidance for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 and the year ending December 31, 2004. A copy of that press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated October 1, 2004  
of eResearchTechnology, 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.

**eResearchTechnology, Inc.**  
(Registrant)

Date: October 1, 2004

By: Bruce Johnson

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Bruce Johnson  
Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Exhibit No.    Exhibit**

99.1      Press Release dated October 1, 2004 of eResearchTechnology, Inc.

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