

AZTAR CORP
Form 8-K
October 04, 2004

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) October 1, 2004

AZTAR CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-5440
(Commission File Number)

86-0636534
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification Number)

2390 East Camelback Road, Suite 400,

Phoenix, Arizona
(Address of principal executive offices)

85016
(Zip Code)

(602) 381-4100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Not Applicable

(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))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

Members of Local 54 of UNITE/H.E.R.E, a hotel and restaurant employees union, went on strike on October 1, 2004. The strike includes approximately 1,400 employees out of the approximately 4,500 employees employed at Aztar's Tropicana Casino and Resort in Atlantic City, New Jersey. As previously reported, the collective bargaining agreement with the union expired by its terms on September 14, 2004 and no agreement has been reached to date for its replacement. The Tropicana remains open during the strike. Aztar anticipates that the strike will negatively impact its results, and that the extent of any impact will depend on the length of the strike.

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.

Date: October 4, 2004

AZTAR CORPORATION

By: /s/ ROBERT M. HADDOCK

Robert M. Haddock
President and
Chief Financial Officer