## 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): February 17, 2004

# Lifeline Systems, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Massachusetts (State or other

0-13617 (Commission File Number) 04-2537528 (IRS Employer

jurisdiction of incorporation)

Identification No.)

111 Lawrence Street, Framingham, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices)

01702 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 508-988-1000

Not applicable.

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

#### Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 17, 2004, the Company announced its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2003. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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: February 17, 2004

LIFELINE SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Mark G. Beucler

Mark G. Beucler

Vice President Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99 1	Press release dated February 17, 2004