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)

October 20, 2004

OraSure Technologies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-16537 (Commission **36-4370966** (IRS Employer

 $of\ Incorporation)$

File Number)

Identification No.)

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220 East First Street

Bethlehem, Pennsylvania (Address of principal executive offices)

18015-1360 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

610-882-1820

(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:

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 20, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing the launch of its OraQuick® ADVANCE Rapid HIV-1/2 Antibody Test and the completion of a previously announced assessment of a subset of data from an isolated clinical trial of the test using oral fluid samples. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

Press release, dated October 20, 2004, announcing the launch of the Company s OraQuic® ADVANCE Rapid HIV-1/2 Antibody Test and the completion of a previously announced assessment of a subset of data from an isolated clinical trial of the test using oral fluid samples.

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

OraSure Technologies, Inc.

Date: October 20, 2004 By: /s/ Jack E. Jerrett

Jack E. Jerrett Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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