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January 11, 2005

FORM 8-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report January 10, 2005
(Date of earliest event reported)

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC
(Exact name of Company as specified in charter)

Delaware	0-16211	39-1434669
(State of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

221 West Philadelphia Street, York, Pennsylvania	17405
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

(717) 845-7511
(Company's telephone number including area code)

Item 5.02. - Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 5.02(c) related to the appointment of certain new officers.

On January 10, 2005, the Company appointed Mr. William R. Jellison to the

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position of Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. The announcement related to this appointment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated by reference. The terms of Mr. Jellison's employment agreement with the Company are hereby incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 of the Company's 1998 Form 10-K filed on March 26, 1999.

Item 9.01. - Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements - Not applicable.

(b) Exhibits:

99.1 The announcement related to the appointment of Mr. William R. Jellison to Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer released on January 10, 2005 as referenced in Item 5.02.

SIGNATURES

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

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC
(Company)

/s/Brian M. Addison
Brian M. Addison
Vice President, Secretary and
General Counsel

Date: January 11, 2005