UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): November 8, 2004

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

| Delaware | 1-9273 | 75-1285071 |
|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| (State or Other Jurisdiction | (Commission | (IRS Employer |
| of Incorporation) | File Number) | Identification No.) |

| 110 South Texas Street | |
|------------------------------------------|------------|
| Pittsburg, Texas | 75686-0093 |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | (ZIP Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (903) 855-1000

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)

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is certain supplemental historical financial information of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Supplemental Historical Financial Information |

Signature

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

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

Date: November 8, 2004.

/s/ Richard A. Cogdill By:

Richard A. Cogdill

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Description Number 99.1 Supplemental Historical Financial Information

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Selected Financial Data for quarters ended:

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| TD style="BORDER-BOTTOM: #e2eef6 | ·" \ — | 10/02/04 | m a _ | 07/03/04 | 1="1%"> | | 04/03/04 | | 01/03/04 |
| Income Statement Data: | | | | | | | | | (a) (c) |
| Net sales | ф | 1,486,454 | ф | 1,447,995 | | \$ | 1,384,908 | Ф | 1 044 266 |
| | Φ | (23,815) | Φ | 1,447,995 | | Ф | | Ф | 1,044,366 |
| Non-recurring recoveries | | (23,815) | | - | | | (68) | | (8) |
| Turkey restructuring and related costs | | 8,178 | | 63,905 | | | | | |
| Gross margin | | 213,310 | | 159,226 | | | 112,991 | | 77,039 |
| Selling, general and administrative | | 213,310 | | | | | 112,991 | | 11,039 |
| expenses | | 73,960 | | &nbs 69,907p; | | | 51,472 | | 46,231 |
| Operating income (loss) | | 131,172 | | 37,117 | (b) | | 61,518 | | 30,808 |
| Interest expense, net | | 11,471 | | 14,690 | (5) | | 13,524 | | 12,444 |
| Miscellaneous, net | | 3,102 | | 350 | | | 1,449 | | (321) |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | | 0,102 | | 000 | | | 1,440 | | (021) |
| and extraordinary charge | | 116,599 | | 22,077 | | | 46,545 | | 18,607 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | | 44,269 | | 12,263 | | | 13,594 | | 8,321 |
| Income (loss) before extraordinary | | , | | , | | | | | 0,022 |
| charge | | 72,330 | | 9,814 | | | 32,951 | | 10,286 |
| Extraordinary charge - net of tax | | | | - | | | - | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 72,330 | \$ | 9,814 | | \$ | 32,951 | \$ | 10,286 |
| (111) | | , | | -,- | | • | 7.7 | • | 2, 22 |
| Per Common Share Data: (e) | | | | | | | | | |
| Income (loss) before extraordin | | | | | | | | | |
| ary charge | \$ | 1.09 | \$ | 0.15 | | \$ | 0.50 | \$ | 0.20 |
| Extraordinary charge - early | | | | | | | | | |
| repayment of debt | | - | | - | | | - | | - |
| Net Income (loss) | \$ | | \$ | 0. 15 | | \$ | 0.50 | | 0.20 |
| Cash dividends | \$ | | \$ | 0.015 | | \$ | 0.015 | | 0.015 |
| Book value | \$ | 13.82 | \$ | 12.77 | | \$ | 12.62 | \$ | 12.10 |
| Balanca Chast Commence | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance Sheet Summary: | ф | 207 205 | Φ | 222 402 | | ф | 225 602 | ф | 261 246 |
| Working capital Total assets | \$ | 397,285 2,259,471 | | 333,403 2,134,229 | | \$ \$ | 325,602 2,148,048 | | 361,346 2,197,302 |
| Notes payable and current | Φ | 2,259,471 | Φ | 2,134,229 | | Φ | 2,140,040 | Φ | 2,197,302 |
| maturities of long-term debt | \$ | 8,428 | \$ | 8,175 | | \$ | 12,331 | Ф | 11,413 |
| Long-term debt, less current | Φ | 0,420 | Φ | 0,175 | | Φ | 12,331 | Φ | 11,413 |
| maturities | \$ | 535,866 | \$ | 591,297 | | \$ | 643,298 | Φ. | 714,325 |
| Total debt | \$ | 544,294 | \$ | | | \$ | 655,629 | | 725,738 |
| Senior secured debt (included in | Ψ | 344,234 | Ψ | 555,472 | | Ψ | 033,023 | Ψ | 723,730 |
| Total Debt) | \$ | 244,294 | \$ | 299,472 | | \$ | 255,629 | \$ | 425,738 |
| Total stockholders' equity | \$ | | \$ | · · | | \$ | 840,193 | | 808,444 |
| | | , | | | | • | 5 , | • | |
| Cash Flow Summary: | | | | | | | | | |
| Operating cash flow | \$ | 63,843 | \$ | 66,178 | | \$ | 41,063 | \$ | 118,797 |
| Depreciation & amortization (d) | \$ | | \$ | | | \$ | 33,087 | \$ | 25,911 |
| Capital expenditures | \$ | | \$ | 19,922 | | \$ | 19,429 | \$ | (20,552) |
| Business acquisitions | \$ | | \$ | | | \$ | 1,343 | | (302,712) |
| Financing activities, net | \$ | (56,172) | \$ | (57,155) | | \$ | (71,381) | \$ | (285,180) |
| Cashflo w Ratios: | | 0.11 | | | | | | | |
| EBITDA (e) | \$ | &r 153,022 sp | \$ | 64,294 | | \$ | 92,668 | \$ | 56,443 |
| EBITDA (last four qtrs.) | \$ | | ,,ψ \$ | | | \$ | 247,934 | | 200,775 |
| Key Indicators (as a percentage | Ψ | 000,721 | Ψ | 200,001 | | Ψ | 241,304 | Ψ | 200,110 |
| ncy mulcators (as a percentage | | | | | | | | | |

| of net sales): | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Gross margin | 14.4% | 11.0% | 8.2% | 7.4% |
| Selling, general and administrative | | 06 | | |
| expenses | 5.0% | 4.8% | 3.7% | 4.4% |
| Operating income (loss) | 8.8% | 2.6% | 4.4% | 2.9% |
| Interest expense, net | 0.8% | 1.0% | 1.0% | 1.2% |
| Net income (loss) | 4.9% | 0.7% | 2.4% | 1.0% |

- (a) The Company acquired the Conagra Chicken Division on November 23, 2003 for \$665.8 million and the assumption of \$187.1 million of indebtedness. The acquisition has been accounted for as a purchase, and the results of operations for this acquisiti on have been included in our consolidated results of operations since the acquisition date.
- (b) Includes Turkey Restructuring Provision of \$8.2 million and \$63.9 million for the three months ended October 2 and July 3, 2004 respectively.
- (c) Fiscal quarters ended January 3, 2004, and January 1, 1999 and had 14 weeks.

/TABLE>

(d) Includes amortization of capitalized financing costs of approximately \$ 535 \$ 4 09 \$ 488 \$ 519 (e) "EBITDA" is defined as the sum of net income (loss) before extraordinary charges, interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is presented because it is used by us, and we believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties, in addition to and not in lieu of GAAP results, to compare the performance of companies. EBITDA is not a measurement of financial performance under generally accepted accounting principles and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidity or an alternative to net income as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performan ce derived in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. EBITDA is calculated as follows:

| Net Income | \$ | 72,330 | \$ 9,814 | \$ 32,951 | \$ 10,286 |
|---------------------------------------------|----|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| Add: | | | & nbsp; | | |
| Extraordinary charge-net of tax | - | | - | - | - |
| Income Tax Expense (benefit) | | 44,269 | 12,263 | 13,594 | 8,321 |
| Interest expense, net | | 11,471 | 14,690 | 13,524 | 12,444 |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 25,487 | 27,936 | 33,087 | 25,911 |
| Minus: | | | | | |
| Amortization of capitalized financing costs | | 535 | 409 | 488 | 519 |
| EBITDA | \$ | 153,022 | \$ 64,294 | \$ 92,668 | \$ 56,443 |

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Selected Financial Data for fiscal years ended:

Cash dividends

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| | 2004 (a) |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Income Statement Data: | |
| Net sales | \$ 5,363,723 |
| Non-recurring recoveries | (23,891) |
| Turkey restructuring and related charges | 72,083 |
| Gross margin | 574,261 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 241,570 |
| Operating income (loss) | 260,608 |
| Interest expense, net | 52,129 |
| Miscellaneous, net | 4,651 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary charge | 203,828 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | 78,448 |
| Income (loss) before extraordinary charge | 125,380 |
| Extraordinary charge - net of tax | - |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 125,380 |
| | |
| Per Common Share Data: | |
| Income (loss) before extraordinary charge | \$ 2.00 |
| Extraordinary charge - early repayment of debt | \$ - |
| Net Income (loss) | \$ 2.00 |

0.060

| Book value | \$ | 13.82 |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| DOUK value | Ф | 13.02 |
| Balance Sheet Summary: | | |
| Working capital | \$ | 397,285 |
| Total assets | \$ | 2,259,471 |
| Notes payable and current maturities of long-term debt | \$ | 8,428 |
| Long-term debt, less current maturities | \$ | 535,866 |
| Total debt | \$ | 244,294 |
| Senior secured debt (included in Total Debt) | \$ | 244,294 |
| Total stockholders' equity | \$ | 919,996 |
| Total Stockholders Equity | Ψ | 919,990 |
| Cash Flow Summary: | | |
| Operating cash flow | \$ | 290,866 |
| Depreciation & amortization (b) | \$ | 113,788 |
| Capital expenditures | \$ | 79,642 |
| Business acqu isitions | \$ | 290,450 |
| Financing activities, net | \$ | 96,665 |
| I manering doubles, not | • | 00,000 |
| Cashflow Ratios: | | |
| EBITDA (c) | \$ | 369,745 |
| EBITDA /interest expense, net | | 7.09 |
| | | |
| Key Indicators (as a percentage of net sales): | | |
| Gross margin | | 10.7% |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | | 5.8% |
| Operating income (loss) | | 4.9% |
| Interest expense, net | | 1.0% |
| Net income (loss) | | 2.3% |
| | | |
| | | |

(a) Fiscal 2004 had 53 weeks.

(b) Includes amortization of capitalized financing costs of approximately

(c) "EBITDA" is defined as the sum of net income (loss) before extraordinary charges, interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is presented because it is used by us, and we believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties, in addition to and not in lieu of GAAP results, to compare the performance of companies. EBITDA is not a measurement of financial performance under generally accepted accounting principles and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities or as a measure of liquidit

y or an alternative to net income as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. EBITDA is calculated as follows:

| Net Income | \$ 52,129 |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Add: | |
| Income Tax Expense (benefit) | 574,261 |
| Interest expense, net | 5,363,723 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 244,294 |
| Minus: | |
| Amortization of capitalized financing costs | 0 |
| EBITDA | \$ 6,234,407 |

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Sales Segments for Quarters Ended:

Since the Acquisition of WLR Foods on January 27, 2001, we operate in two reportable business segments as (1) a producer of chicken and other products and (2) a producer of turkey p roducts.

Our chicken and other products segment includes sales of chicken and sales of other products we produce and purchase for resale in the United States and Mexico. Our chicken and other products segment conducts separate operations in the United States and Mexico and is reported as two separate geographical areas. Our turkey segment includes sales of turkey products produced in our turkey operation recently acquired from WLR Foods, whose operations are exclusively in the United States.

Inter-area sales and i nter-segment sales, which are not material, are accounted for at prices comparable to normal trade customer sales. Fixed assets by segment and geographic area are those assets which are used in our operations in each segment or area. Corporate assets are included with chicken and other products. You should read this financial data in conjunction with the appropriate period financial statements and the related notes and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition" included in our SEC filings.

| | &nb | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--|----------|-------|-------------|
| | sp; | 10/02/2004 | | | | 7/3/2004 |
| | э р , | 10/02/2004 | | - | | (In |
| Net Sales to Customers: | | (In thousands) | | | | thousands) |
| Chicken and Other Products: | | | | | | |
| United States | \$ | 1,314,473 | | ; | \$ | 1,284,740 |
| Mexico | | 99,301 | | | | 96,969 |
| Sub-total | | 1,413,774 | | | | 1,381,709 |
| Turkey | | 72,680 | | | | 66,286 |
| Total | <u>\$</u> | 1,486,454 | | | \$ | 1,447,995 |
| Operating Income: | | | | | < /TD | > |
| Chicken and Other Products: | | | | | \/ID | |
| United States | \$ | 145,901 | | ; | \$ | 109,952 |
| Manda | < | | | | |)< |
| Mexico | <u>/TD</u> | | | | | (1,692/DIV> |
| Sub-total | | 146,456 | | | | 108,260 |
| Turkey (a) | | (39,099) | | | | (71,143) |
| Non-recurring recoveries | | 23,815 | | - | | - |
| Total | \$ | 131,172 | | <u>;</u> | \$ | 37,117 |
| Depreciation and Amortization: (b) | | | | | | |
| Chicken and Other Products: | | | | | | |
| United States | \$ | 21,393 | | | \$ | 23,984 |
| Mexico | • | 3,054 | | | • | 2,063 |
| | | 24,447 | | - | | 2,000 |
| Sub-total | | | | | | 26,047 |
| Turkey | | 1,040 | | | | 1,898 |
| Total | \$ | 25,487 | | - | \$ | 27,945 |
| | | | | • | | |
| Total Assets: Chicken and Other Products: | | | | | | |
| United States | \$ | 1,856,709 | | | \$ | 1,623,425 |
| Mexico | Ψ | 276,685 | | • | Ψ | 307,012 |
| Sub-total | | 2,133,394 | | - | | 1,930,437 |
| Turkey | | 126,077 | | | | 203,792 |
| Total | | 2,259,471 | | - | \$ | 2,134,229 |
| Ισιαι | \$ | 2,259,471 | | = | Φ | 2,134,229 |
| Capital Expenditures: | | | | | | |
| Chicken and Other Products: | | | | | | |
| United States | \$ | 19,655 | | | | 16,292 |
| Mexico | \$ | 2,773 | | | \$ | 1,961 |
| Sub-total | | 22,428 | | | | 18,253 |
| Turkey | \$ | 1,377 | | | \$ | 1,669 |
| Total | \$ | 23,805 | | 9 | \$ | 19,922 |

(a) Includes \$8.2 million and \$63.9 million in restructuring and related charges for the three months ended October 2, 2004 and July 3, 2004.

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Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Sales Segments for fiscal years ended:

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| | | 10/2/2004 (a)(b) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Net Sales to Customers: | | |
| Chicken and Other Products: | Φ. | 4 001 040 |
| United States | \$ | 4,691,649 |
| Mexico | | 385,674 |
| Sub-total | | 5,077,323 |
| Turkey | | 286,400 |
| Total | \$ <u></u> | 5,363,723 |
| Operating Income: Chicken and Other Products: | | |
| United States | \$ | 384,700 |
| Mexico | | (3,586) |
| Sub-total | | < 381,114/TD> |
| Turkey | | (144,321) |
| Non-recurring recoveries | | 23,815 |
| Total | \$ | 260,608 |
| Depreciation and Amortization: (c) Chicken and Other Products: United States Mexico | \$ | 94,540 12,361 |
| Sub-total | &nbs | 106,901 |
| Turkey | p; | 6,887 |
| Total | | 113,788 |
| Total | <u>Φ</u> | 113,700 |
| Total Assets: Chicken and Other Products: | | |
| United States | \$ | 1,856,709 |
| Mexico | | 276,685 |
| _Sub-total | | 2,133,394 |
| Turkey | | 126,077 |
| Total | <u>\$</u> | 2,259,471 |
| Capital Expenditures: C hicken and Other Products: | | |
| United States | \$ | 62,828 |
| Mexico | | 8,663 |
| Sub-total | | 71,491 |
| Turkey | | 8,151 |
| Total | <u>\$</u> | 79,642 |
| | | |

- (a) The acquisition of the Conagra Chicken Division has been accounted for as a purchase, and the results of operations for this acquisition have been included in our consolidated results of operations since November 23, 2003, the acquisition date.
- (b) Fiscal years 2004 and 1999 had 53 weeks.
- (c) Includes amortization of capitalized financing costs of approximately

1,951