IONICS INC Form 8-K October 13, 2004

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 12, 2004

IONICS, INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts (State of incorporation)

1-7211 (Commission File Number) **04 2068530** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

65 Grove Street, Watertown, MA (Address of principal executive offices)

02472 (Zip Code)

(617) 926 2500 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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On October 12, 2004, Douglas R. Brown, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Ionics, Incorporated, gave a management presentation to several analyst conferences. A copy of the slide presentation substantially in the form used in the management presentation is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

ITEMS 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

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99.1 Slide presentation for the October 12, 2004 management presentation.

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 duly authorized.

IONICS, INCORPORATED

October 12, 2004 By: /s/ Stephen Korn

Stephen Korn

Vice President and General Counsel

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