NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP Form POS AM September 21, 2004

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Registration No. 333-66694

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED

NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Delaware (State of other jurisdiction 33-0683629 (I.R.S. Employer

 $of\ incorporation\ or\ organization)$

Identification No.)

18400 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1000

Irvine, California 92612

(949) 440-7030

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

Brad A. Morrice

President and Chief Operating Officer

New Century Financial Corporation

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(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:

Not applicable.

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box.

If the registrant elects to deliver its latest annual report to security holders, or a complete and legible facsimile thereof, pursuant to Item 11(a)(1) of this form, check the following box.

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.
If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.
If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box. "

DE-REGISTRATION OF SHARES

On August 3, 2001, we registered on behalf of certain selling stockholders 1,422,308 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.01 (the Shares), with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Registration Statement No. 333-66694 (the Registration Statement) and filed changes to the related Prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) on August 21, 2001. The Shares were registered under the Registration Statement pursuant to registration rights that we granted to the selling stockholders under a common stock purchase agreement we entered into with them on July 19, 2001. Our contractual obligations to the selling stockholders to maintain the effectiveness of the Registration Statement have expired. Accordingly, we hereby remove from registration all of the Shares originally registered pursuant to the Registration Statement which remain unsold as of the effective date of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant, New Century Financial Corporation, certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 (Registration Statement No. 333-66694) to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Irvine, State of California, on this 21st day of September, 2004.

NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Robert K. Cole

Robert K. Cole Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Brad A. Morrice	Vice Chairman, President and	September 21, 2004
Brad A. Morrice	Chief Operating Officer	
/s/ Patti M. Dodge	Chief Financial Officer (Principal	September 21, 2004
Patti M. Dodge	Financial and Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Robert K. Cole	Chairman of the Board and	September 21, 2004
Robert K. Cole	Chief Executive Officer	
	(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ Edward F. Gotschall	Vice Chairman-Finance and Director	September 21, 2004
Edward F. Gotschall		
/s/ Harold A. Black	Director	September 21, 2004
Harold A. Black		
/s/ Fredric J. Forster	Director	September 21, 2004
Fredric J. Forster		
/s/ Donald E. Lange	Director	September 21, 2004
Donald E. Lange		

/s/ William J. Popejoy	Director	September 21, 2004
William J. Popejoy		
/s/ Michael M. Sachs	Director	September 21, 2004
Michael M. Sachs		
/s/ Terrence P. Sandvik	Director	September 21, 2004
Terrence P. Sandvik		
/s/ Richard A. Zona	Director	September 21, 2004
Richard A. Zona		