

AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP  
Form 8-K  
September 17, 2004

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF**  
**THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): September 14, 2004**

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**AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-6354**  
Commission File Number

**95-2588080**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**4695 MacArthur Court**

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Newport Beach, California 92660

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number: (949) 260-1200

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 OTHER EVENTS**

On September 14, 2004, American Vanguard Corporation issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$.05 per share to be distributed on October 15, 2004 to shareholders of record as of October 1, 2004. The full text of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(c) EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated September 14, 2004 of American Vanguard Corporation.

**SIGNATURE**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

**AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

By: /s / James A. Barry

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James A. Barry  
Senior Vice President  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 15, 2004

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

**Exhibit**

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|------------|---|
| 99.1       | Press release dated September 14, 2004 of American Vanguard Corporation announcing that the Board of Directors has declared a \$.05 dividend to be distributed on October 15, 2004 to shareholders of record as of October 1, 2004. |