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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): October 4, 2004		
Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.		
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)		
Maryland	0-19065	52-1532952
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission file number)	
17801 Georgia Avenue, Olney, Maryland 20832		
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)		
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 774-6400		
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (See General Instruction A.2. below):		
[] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
[] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))		
[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))		

Item 8.01. Other Events

On October 4, 2004, Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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(c) Exhibit 99 - News Release dated August 10, 2004.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Hunter R. Hollar

Hunter R. Hollar

President and

Chief Executive Officer

Dated: October 4, 2004