

BOWATER INC  
Form 8-K  
December 22, 2004

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

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**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) December 16, 2004**

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**BOWATER INCORPORATED**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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

**1-8712**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**62-0721803**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

**55 East Camperdown Way**

**P.O. Box 1028**

**Greenville, South Carolina 29602**

**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

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(864) 271-7733

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report): Not applicable

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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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On December 16, 2004, Bowater Incorporated entered into an amendment to renew its 364-day Accounts Receivable Securitization Arrangement, which is now scheduled to terminate on December 15, 2005. A copy of the amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**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.

BOWATER INCOPORATED

(Registrant)

Date: December 21, 2004

By: /s/ David G. Maffucci

Name: David G. Maffucci

Title: Executive Vice President and CFO

**EXHIBITS**

- 99.1 Amendment No. 2 dated December 16, 2004 to Loan Agreement dated December 19, 2002 among Bowater Funding Inc. (as Borrower), Bowater Incorporated (as Initial Servicer), Suntrust Capital Market, Inc. and Wachovia Bank, National Association (as Co-Agents) and Suntrust Capital Markets, Inc. (as Administrative Agent).