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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): DECEMBER 8, 2004

CRYOLIFE, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of Incorporation)

1-13165

59-2417093 (IRS Employer Identification No

1655 ROBERTS BOULEVARD N.W., KENNESAW, GA 30144 (Address of principal executive office) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (770) 419-3355

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 5.03 AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS; COMPENSATION.

Effective December 8, 2004, the By-laws of the Company were amended. Article III, Section 10 was deleted and replaced with a revised Section 10. The revision amends that section to specify that either the Board of Directors or a committee may set the compensation of non-employee directors, as provided by the Florida Business Corporation Act. The prior provision provided that by resolution of the Board the directors may be paid either a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting or a stated salary. The amendment also provides that all directors shall be reimbursed for the expense of attendance at meetings unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors or a committee, which represents a change from the prior provision to the effect that expenses may be paid by resolution of the Board. Finally, the amendment provides that directors may receive payment for services as directors and also serve the Company in other capacities, which is substantially equivalent to the prior provision.

ITEM 9.01(C) EXHIBITS.

Exhibit Number	Description

3.2 By-laws of the Company, as amended.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, CryoLife, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CRYOLIFE, INC.

Date: December 10, 2004 By: /s/D.A. Lee

D. Ashley Lee, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer