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Form 8-K
September 24, 2004

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): September 23, 2004

ALLMERICA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware ----- | 1-13754 ----- | 04-3263626 ----- |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

440 Lincoln Street, Worcester, Massachusetts 01653

(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

(508) 855-1000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

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On September 23, 2004, Allmerica Financial Corporation announced estimated pre-tax catastrophe losses from Hurricane Frances of \$20 million. The anticipated charges will be reflected in the Company's third quarter results. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished herewith.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated September 23, 2004, announcing estimated pre-tax catastrophe losses related to Hurricane Frances.

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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.

Allmerica Financial Corporation

Registrant

By: /s/ Edward J. Parry III

Edward J. Parry III
Chief Financial Officer,
Executive Vice President,
Principal Accounting Officer and Director

Date: September 23, 2004

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