

WESTCORP /CA/
Form 8-K
October 29, 2004

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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): October 28, 2004

Westcorp

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

California
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

001-09910
(Commission File Number)

51-0208535
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

23 Pasteur, Irvine, California 92618-3804
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(949) 727-1000
(Registrant's telephone number,
including area code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

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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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 28, 2004, Westcorp issued a press release announcing that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation approved the application to merge WFS Financial into Western Financial Bank. A copy of that press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Westcorp Press Release on October 28, 2004

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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.

**WESTCORP,
a California corporation**

Date: October 28, 2004

By: /s/ Lee A. Whatcott
Lee A. Whatcott
Executive Vice
President,
Chief Financial Officer
and
Chief Operations
Officer

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