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Form 8-K
September 22, 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 16, 2004

Balchem Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	1-13648	13-257-8432
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

P.O. Box 600, New Hampton, NY 10958
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (845) 326-5600

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))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 16, 2004, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Balchem Corporation (the "Company") granted options to purchase shares of its Common Stock to certain executive officers of the Company pursuant to the Company's 1999 Stock Plan, as amended and restated (the "Plan"). Dino Rossi, Francis Fitzpatrick, David Ludwig and Robert Miniger, each of whom are executive officers of the Company, were granted options to purchase 22,000; 18,000; 15,000 and 6,000 shares of Common Stock, respectively, exercisable at a price of \$29.60 per share.

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The options granted vest as follows: 20% on the first anniversary of the grant date; 40% on the second anniversary of the grant date; and 40% on the third anniversary of the grant date, and otherwise pursuant to the terms of the Stock Option Grant document applicable thereto. The options expire on September 15, 2004. A copy of a form of the Company's Stock Option Grant, pursuant to the Plan, is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.3.1.

Also filed herewith, as Exhibit 10.3.2, is a copy of a form of Director Option Grant Agreement, pursuant to the Plan.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial Statements
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information
- (c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number -----	Description -----
10.3.1	Form of Stock Option Grant to Employees, pursuant to the Balchem Corporation 1999 Stock Plan, as amended and restated.
10.3.2	Form of Agreement for Stock Option Grant to Directors pursuant, to the Balchem Corporation 1999 Stock Plan, as amended and restated.

SIGNATURE

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

BALCHEM CORPORATION

By: /s/ Dino A. Rossi

Dino A. Rossi, President,
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: September 22, 2004

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