BOWNE & CO INC Form S-8 POS November 17, 2004

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to

Form S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

under

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Bowne & Co., Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

13-2618477 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

345 Hudson Street

New York, New York 10014 (Address, Including Zip Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Office)

BOWNE & CO., INC. 1997 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN BOWNE & CO., INC. LONG-TERM PERFORMANCE PLAN BOWNE & CO., INC. DEFERRED AWARD PLAN BOWNE & CO., INC. STOCK PLAN FOR DIRECTORS INDIVIDUAL GRANT OF RESTRICTED STOCK

(Bowne & Co., Inc. 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan)

(Full Title of the Plan)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent For Service)

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Pursuant to a registration statement (the 1997 Registration Statement) on Form S-8 (File No. 333-57045), as amended, Bowne & Co., Inc. (Bowne) registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, shares of Bowne Common Stock, issuable under the Bowne & Co., Inc. Incentive Compensation Plan (the 1997 Plan). As provided under the Bowne & Co., Inc. 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan (the 1999 Plan) (Form S-8 (333-81639)), shares of Bowne stock remaining available under the 1997 Plan may be reserved and made available for delivery under the 1999 Plan.

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the 1997 Registration Statement is being filed in connection with the transfer of the remaining 966,550 shares of Bowne Common Stock registered under the 1997 Plan pursuant to the 1997 Registration Statement that either had not previously been issued or were not subject to outstanding awards, to the 1999 Plan, which shares are registered hereby.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Bowne & Co., Inc. has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, State of New York, on the 17th day of November, 2004.

BOWNE & CO., INC.

By: /s/ PHILIP E. KUCERA
Philip E. Kucera
Chief Executive Officer and Director

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 17th day of November, 2004.

Signature	Title
/s/ *	Chief Executive Officer and Director
Philip E. Kucera /s/ *	Chief Operating Officer, President and Director
David J. Shea /s/ *	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
C. Cody Colquitt /s/ * .	Chief Accounting Officer, Vice President and Corporate Controller
Richard Bambach Jr. /s/ *	Director
Carl J. Crosetto /s/ *	Director
Douglas B. Fox /s/ *	Director
Gloria M. Portela /s/ *	Director
H. Marshall Schwarz	Director
Wendell M. Smith	Director

Lisa A. Stanley /s/ *	Director
Vincent Tese	
/s/ *	Director
Harry Wallaesa	
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/s/ *	Director
Richard R. West	
* By power of attorney filed herev /s/ SCOTT L. SPITZER Scott L. Spitzer Attorney-in-fact	vith.

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