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) January 20, 2005

MGP Ingredients, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

KANSAS (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **0-17196** (Commission File Number)

48-0531200 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1300 Main Street
Box 130
Atchison, Kansas 66002
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(913) 367-1480

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Attached as Exhibit 99.1, and incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference, is a press release which was issued on January 20, 2005, by MGP Ingredients, Inc. (the "Company").

An investors conference call will take place at 10:00 a.m. central standard time on February 8, 2005. The Company's senior management will discuss the Company's second quarter results and certain forward looking information during the conference call. Interested persons may listen to the conference call via telephone by dialing (800) 322-0079 before 9:50 a.m., or access it on the Internet at www.mgpingredients.com.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated January 20, 2005, furnished solely for the purpose of incorporation by reference into Items 7.01 and 9.01.

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.

MGP INGREDIENTS, INC.

Date: January 20, 2005 By:/s/ Brian Cahill

Brian Cahill
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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NEWS RELEASE

Contact: Steve Pickman at 913-367-1480

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MGP Ingredients, Inc. Schedules Second Quarter FY 2005 Financial Release Date, Conference Call

ATCHISON, Kan., January 20, 2005 – MGP Ingredients, Inc. (Nasdaq/MGPI) will report its fiscal 2005 second quarter financial results prior to the market's opening on Tuesday, February 8, to be followed by an investor conference call that day at 10 a.m. central time.

Participating in the conference call will be Ladd Seaberg, President and Chief Executive Officer; Brian Cahill, Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer; and Mike Trautschold, Executive Vice President of Marketing and Sales. They will review the company's second quarter results.

Stockholders and other interested persons may listen to the conference call via telephone by dialing (800) 322-0079 by 9:50 a.m. central time on February 8, or access it on the Internet at www.mgpingredients.com.

In business for more than half a century, MGP Ingredients, Inc. is a recognized pioneer in the development and production of natural grain-based products. The company has facilities in Atchison, Kan., Pekin, Ill., and Kansas City, Kan. that utilize the latest technologies to assure high quality products and to maintain efficient production and service capabilities.

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