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Form 10-Q

February 14, 2005

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

X Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange
--- Act of 1934

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

OR

--- Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities
Exchange Act of 1934

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 0-15245

ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEVADA 93-0946274
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

730 PASEO CAMARILLO,
CAMARILLO, CALIFORNIA 93010
(Address of principal executive offices)

TELEPHONE NUMBER (805) 419-8700, FAX NUMBER (805) 419-8689
WWW.ECHO-INC.COM
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code; fax number; web site
address)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports
required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of
1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the
registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such
filing requirements for the past 90 days:

Yes X No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as
defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No X

As of February 1, 2005, there were 6,500,581 shares of the Registrant's
Common Stock outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(UNAUDITED)

ASSETS

DECEMBER 31, SEPTEMBER 30,
2004 2004

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Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,274,000	\$ 7,576,000
Restricted cash	1,260,000	1,024,000
Settlement deposits	15,082,000	18,282,000
Settlement receivable less allowance of \$25,000 and \$22,000	841,000	451,000
Accounts receivable less allowance of \$158,000 and \$111,000	2,063,000	1,943,000
Prepaid expenses and other assets	542,000	368,000
Deferred tax asset	70,000	279,000
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Total current assets	27,132,000	29,923,000
Noncurrent assets:		
Property and equipment, net	2,250,000	2,293,000
Software, net	7,385,000	6,844,000
Other assets, net	356,000	368,000
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Total assets	\$ 37,123,000	\$ 39,428,000
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		

Current liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term debt and capital leases	\$ 752,000	\$ 878,000
Accounts payable	384,000	305,000
Settlement payable	15,923,000	18,733,000
Accrued expenses	2,668,000	2,003,000
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Total current liabilities	19,727,000	21,919,000
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Long-term debt and capital leases	583,000	704,000
Deferred tax liability	390,000	565,000
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Total liabilities	20,700,000	23,188,000
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Commitments and contingencies - see Note 6		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 36,000,000 authorized; 6,488,281 and 6,451,331 shares issued; 6,450,012 and 6,413,062 shares outstanding, respectively	65,000	64,000
Additional paid-in capital	24,788,000	24,658,000
Accumulated deficit	(7,964,000)	(8,016,000)
Less treasury stock at cost, 38,269 common shares	(466,000)	(466,000)
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Total stockholders' equity	16,423,000	16,240,000
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 37,123,000	\$ 39,428,000
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