WALT DISNEY CO/ Form 8-K/A June 28, 2002

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

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED):

June 28, 2002

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THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE
(STATE OF JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION)

1-11605 (COMMISSION FILE NUMBER) 95-4545390 (IRS EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.)

500 South Buena Vista Street, Burbank, California
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

91521 (ZIP CODE)

(818) 560-1000 (REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

The Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets (SFAS 142) effective October 1, 2001, the beginning of its current fiscal year. On June 17, 2002, the Company filed supplemental information on Form 8-K regarding the pro forma impact of eliminating goodwill and intangible asset amortization for the prior fiscal years ended September 30, 1999, 2000 and 2001.

The adjusted earnings and earnings per share figures in this supplemental information should have excluded all goodwill and intangible asset amortization but, inadvertently, the respective amounts for fiscal 2001 and 2000 did not eliminate all of the goodwill and intangible asset charges associated with the Internet Group. As a result, the supplemental earnings and earnings per share figures for fiscal 2001 and 2000 are better than originally filed, as follows (\$ in millions except per share amounts).

Year Ended September 30	2	001	2000		
	Amount	Earnings per Share	Amount	Earnings per Share	
Adjusted earnings attributed to Disney Common Stock after the cumulative effect of accounting changes as previously reported on Form 8-K	\$ 358	\$ 0.17	\$1,608	\$ 0.76	
Goodwill and intangible asset amortization adjustment	255 	0.12	549 	0.27	
Adjusted earnings attributed to Disney Common Stock after the cumulative effect of accounting changes as amended	\$ 613	\$ 0.29 =====	\$2,157 ====	\$ 1.03 =====	

The amended prior-year pro forma disclosure filed herewith as Exhibit 99 includes the corrected amounts that reflect the changes detailed above.

These changes have no impact on the Company's as-reported earnings and $\stackrel{--}{}$ earnings per share, nor on any of the pro forma information, nor any other information presented in the Form 10-K for the three years ended September 30, 2001.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibits

99 Impact of SFAS 142

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

THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

By: /s/ David K. Thompson

David K. Thompson Senior Vice President Assistant General Counsel

Date: June 28, 2002

Impact of SFAS 142 Exhibit 99

Effective October 1, 2001, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets (SFAS 142). As a result of adopting SFAS 142, a substantial amount of the Company's goodwill and intangible assets are no longer amortized, and the Company is required to perform an annual impairment test for goodwill and intangible assets.

The following table provides a reconciliation of reported net (loss) earnings for the prior years to adjusted earnings had SFAS 142 been applied as of the beginning of fiscal 1999:

Year Ended September 30	2001			2000			1999			
	Amo	ount		nings Share	Amount		nings Share	Amount		rnings Share
Reported earnings attributed to Disney Common Stock before the cumulative effect of accounting changes (Diluted) Cumulative effect of accounting changes (Diluted)	\$	237		0.11	\$ 1,196	\$	0.57	\$ 1,300 	\$	0.62
Reported net (loss) earnings attributed to Disney Common Stock (Diluted) Add back amortization (net of tax): Goodwill Indefinite life intangible assets		(41) 604 50		0.02)	1,196 880 81		0.57	1,300 368 193		0.62
Adjusted earnings attributed to Disney Common Stock after the cumulative effect of accounting changes (Diluted)	\$	613	\$	0.29	\$ 2,157	\$	1.03	\$ 1,861	\$	0.89
Adjusted earnings per share attributed to Disney Common Stock after the cumulative effect of accounting changes (Basic)	==:		= == \$ 	0.29		\$	1.04		\$	0.91
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding attributed to Disney Common Stock Diluted			==	2 , 100 =====		2,	103		2===	, 083
Basic				2 , 085			074		===	, 056 =====