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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Patterson Dental Company

 $(Exact\ Name\ of\ Registrant\ as\ Specified\ in\ Its\ Charter)$

Minnesota (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

41-0886515 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1031 Mendota Heights Road

St. Paul, Minnesota 55120

(Address, including Zip Code, of Principal Executive Offices)

PATTERSON DENTAL COMPANY STOCK OPTION PLAN FOR CANADIAN EMPLOYEES

(Full Title of the Plan)

Copies to:

AVRON L. GORDON, ESQ.

R. STEPHEN ARMSTRONG	BRETT D. ANDERSON, ESQ.	
Executive Vice President, Treasurer and	Briggs and Morgan, P.A.	MATTHEW L. LEVITT, ESQ.
Chief Financial Officer	2200 IDS Center	Secretary and General Counsel
Patterson Dental Company	80 South Eighth Street	Patterson Dental Company
1031 Mendota Heights Road	Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402	1031 Mendota Heights Road
St. Paul, Minnesota 55120	(612) 977-8400 (phone)	St. Paul, Minnesota 55120
(651) 686-1600 (Name, address, including zip code,	(612) 977-8650 (fax)	(651) 686-1600
and telephone number, including		
area code, of Agent for Service)		

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities To Be Registered Patterson Dental Company	Amount To Be Registered (1)	Ma O	roposed aximum ffering Price r Share	(Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of egistration Fee (3)
Stock Option Plan for Canadian Employees						
Options to purchase common stock	1,000,000		N/A		N/A	N/A
Common stock (par value \$0.01 per share)	48,844 shares	\$	30.56	\$	1,492,672.64	\$ 189.12
Common stock (par value \$0.01 per share)	5,084 shares	\$	45.14	\$	229,491.76	\$ 29.08
Common stock (par value \$0.01 per share)	674 shares	\$	44.60	\$	30,060.40	\$ 3.81
Common stock (par value \$0.01 per share)	2,951 shares	\$	39.93	\$	117,833.43	\$ 14.93
Common stock (par value \$0.01 per share)	942,447 shares	\$	77.52(2)	\$ '	73,058,491.44	\$ 9,256.51

- (1) This registration statement also covers any additional shares of common stock which become issuable under the Patterson Dental Company Stock Option Plan for Canadian Employees by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without the receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of outstanding shares of common stock.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee under Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act and based upon the average of the high and low sale prices for such stock on April 15, 2004, as reported by The Nasdaq National Market.
- (3) Previously paid.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to documents we file with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this registration statement. Information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings we will make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until all

of the shares covered by this registration statement have been sold or deregistered: Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended April 26, 2003; Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended July 26, 2003, October 25, 2003 and January 24, 2004; Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on September 15, 2003 and May 20, 2004;

Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed on November 24, 2003;

Description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 33-51304) filed on August 26, 1992; and

Definitive Schedule 14A (Proxy Statement) filed on August 6, 2003.

Item 4. **Description of Securities.**

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Indemnification of Directors and Officers. Item 6.

Our company is a Minnesota corporation. Reference is made to Minnesota Statutes Section 302A.521 which provides that a Minnesota business corporation shall indemnify any director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation made or threatened to be made a party to a proceeding, by reason of the former or present official capacity (as defined) of the person, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable

expenses incurred by the person in connection with the proceeding if certain statutory standards are met. Proceeding means a threatened, pending or completed civil, criminal, administrative, arbitration or investigative proceeding, including one by or in the right of the corporation. Section 302A.521 contains detailed terms regarding such right of indemnification and reference is made thereto for a complete statement of such indemnification rights.

Article VI of our bylaws provides that officers, directors, members of committees appointed or designated by the board of directors and employees, past or present, of our company shall be indemnified by our company, in accordance with the terms and conditions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 302A.521.

Item 7.	Exemption From Registration Claimed.
Not applicab	le.
Item 8.	Exhibits.
See Exhibit	t Index.
Item 9.	Undertakings.
The undersig	ned registrant hereby undertakes:
(1) To file, d	uring any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
(i) To includ	e any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
	t in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective chereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration
	de any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any nge to such information in the registration statement;
post-effectiv	wever, that the undertakings set forth in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a e amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the registrant pursuant to r Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.
be a new reg	the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to istration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the deemed to be the offering thereof.
	we from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the offering.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant s annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan s annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the provisions summarized in Item 6 above, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer, or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of St. Paul, State of Minnesota, on the 7th day of June, 2004.

PATTERSON DENTAL COMPANY

By /s/ Peter L. Frechette

Peter L. Frechette

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Peter L. Frechette	Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	June 7, 2004
Peter L. Frechette	(Timespai Executive Officer)	
/s/ R. Stephen Armstrong	Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief	June 7, 2004
R. Stephen Armstrong	Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer and Principal Financial Officer)	
*	Director	
David K. Beecken		
*	Director	
Ronald E. Ezerski		
*	Director	
Andre B. Lacy		
*	Director	
Ellen A. Rudnick		
*	Director	
Harold C. Slavkin		

	*	Director
	James W. Wiltz	
* By:	/s/ R. Stephen Armstrong	June 7, 2004
	R. Stephen Armstrong	_
	Attorney-In-Fact	

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	
Number	Description
4.1	Articles of Incorporation, as amended (incorporated by reference to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 33-51304) filed August 26, 1992).
4.2	Bylaws, as amended (incorporated by reference to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 33-51304) filed August 26, 1992).
4.3	Specimen common stock certificate (incorporated by reference to our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 33-51304) filed August 26, 1992).
4.4	Patterson Dental Company Stock Option Plan for Canadian Employees (incorporated by reference to our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended January 25, 2003 (File No. 0-20572)).
5	Opinion of Matthew L. Levitt, Esq.*
23.1	Consent of Matthew L. Levitt, Esq. (included in Exhibit 5).
23.2	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
23.3	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
24	Powers of Attorney.*

^{*} Previously filed.