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Form 8-K October 21, 2004

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) October 21, 2004

Banknorth Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maine 001-31251 01-0437984

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

P.O. Box 9540, Two Portland Square, Portland, Maine 04112-9540

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (207) 761-8500

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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):

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 21, 2004, Banknorth Group, Inc. issued the press release

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included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits _____

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) The following exhibits are included with this Report:

Exhibit No.	Description

99.1 Press Release, dated October 21, 2004

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

BANKNORTH GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Peter J. Verrill _____

Name: Peter J. Verrill

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and

Chief Operating Officer

Date: October 21, 2004