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 12, 2004

STRATEGIC HOTEL CAPITAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-32223 (Commission 33-1082757 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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77 West Wacker Drive, Suite 4600, Chicago, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

60601 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

(312) 658-5000

$\label{eq:NA} N\!/\!A$ (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

On October 12, 2004, the Board of Directors of Strategic Hotel Capital, Inc. (the Corporation) appointed Monte J. Huber, age 32, as Principal Financial Officer of the Corporation. Mr. Huber is also Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer) of the Corporation. Mr. Huber joined Strategic Hotel Capital, L.L.C., the Corporation s predecessor, in December 2002 as Director Financial Accounting & Reporting. Prior to joining the Corporation s predecessor, he was Director Finance for Yesmail, Inc., an online marketing firm where among other duties, he was responsible for the financial reporting and controller functions. Before joining Yesmail in July 2000, Mr. Huber spent six years with Arthur Andersen LLP where he rose to the position of Manager in the Audit and Business Advisory Group.

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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 filed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 15, 2004 STRATEGIC HOTEL CAPITAL, INC.

By: /s/ Laurence S. Geller

Name: Laurence S. Geller Title: Chief Executive Officer

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