

**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):
June 25, 2004

Commission File Number: **0-21660**

PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

61-1203323
(I.R.S. Employer
identification number)

2002 Papa Johns Boulevard
Louisville, Kentucky 40299-2334
(Address of principal executive offices)

(502) 261-7272
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 25, 2004, Papa John's International, Inc. announced that Gary Langstaff, who joined the company in December 2003 as Chief Marketing Officer, is no longer affiliated with the company. The company noted that it has no plans to change the current direction of its marketing, which includes the use of new products and promotional tie-ins to further its "Better Ingredients. Better Pizza." strategy. The company projects systemwide domestic comparable sales for June will increase by approximately 1% to 2% over the same period last year.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Papa John's International, Inc. press release dated June 25, 2004.

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.

PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: June 28, 2004

/s/ J. DAVID FLANERY

J. David Flanery
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**PAPA JOHN'S ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE OF
CHIEF MARKETING OFFICER GARY LANGSTAFF**

Louisville, Kentucky (June 25, 2004)—Papa John's International, Inc. (Nasdaq: PZZA) today announced that Gary Langstaff, who joined the company in December 2003 as Chief Marketing Officer, is no longer affiliated with the company. The company has retained the services of an outside executive recruiting firm to assist with its search for a new Chief Marketing Officer. In the interim, Papa John's marketing function will be overseen by its Chief Operations Officer, Bill Van Epps.

The company noted that it has no plans to change the current direction of its marketing, which includes the use of new products and promotional tie-ins to further its "Better Ingredients. Better Pizza." strategy. The company projects systemwide domestic comparable sales for June will increase by approximately 1% to 2% over the same period last year. Final June sales results will be announced after the close of business July 6th.

At May 23, 2004, there were 2,766 Papa John's restaurants (568 company-owned and 2,198 franchised) operating in 49 states and 16 international markets. Papa John's also franchises 126 Perfect Pizza restaurants in the United Kingdom. For more information about the company, visit Papa John's at <http://www.papajohns.com>.

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