

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): July 17, 2003

CBRL GROUP, INC.

Tennessee 0-25225 62-1749513
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (S. Employer Identification No.)

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated July 17, 2003.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

CBRL Group, Inc. issued a press release that is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1, which by this reference is incorporated herein as if copied verbatim. In the press release, CBRL Group, Inc. reports fourth quarter-to-date sales and earnings guidance for its fourth fiscal quarter of 2003.

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.

Dated: July 17, 2003

CBRL GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ James F. Blackstock

Name: James F. Blackstock

Title: Senior Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary

(CBRL)

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CBRL GROUP, INC. REPORTS SALES TRENDS AND REAFFIRMS EARNINGS GUIDANCE FOR ITS FOURTH FISCAL QUARTER OF 2003

LEBANON, Tenn. (July 17, 2003) -- CBRL Group, Inc. (the "Company") (NASDAQ: CBRL) today reported fiscal 2003 fourth quarter-to-date sales and reaffirmed its earnings guidance for the fourth fiscal quarter of 2003.

The Company reported that quarter-to-date comparable store restaurant sales in its Cracker Barrel Old Country Store^â ("Cracker Barrel") units are approximately flat to last year (including approximately 1.5-2% higher average check). Cracker Barrel quarter-to-date comparable store retail sales are up approximately 1-1.5%. Quarter-to-date comparable restaurant sales in the Company's Logan's Roadhouse^â ("Logan's") units are up approximately 1% (reflecting approximately 1.5-2% higher average check).

The Company urges caution in considering its current trends and the earnings guidance disclosed in this press release. The restaurant industry is highly competitive, and trends and guidance are subject to numerous factors and influences, some of which are discussed in the cautionary language at the end of this press release. The Company disclaims any obligation to update disclosed information on trends or targets other than in its periodic filings under Forms 10-K, 10-Q, and 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Company reaffirmed its earnings guidance for the fourth fiscal quarter of 2003, which will end on August 1, 2003. The Company presently expects diluted net income per share to increase up to the mid-20% range from \$0.56 in the fourth quarter of last year. Earnings guidance reflects many assumptions, most of which cannot be known, including, very importantly, sales expectations. The Company continues to expect positive comparable store sales for the full fourth quarter in both Cracker Barrel (restaurant and retail) and Logan's.

Headquartered in Lebanon, Tennessee, CBRL Group, Inc. presently operates 480 Cracker Barrel Old Country Store restaurants and gift shops located in 41 states and 96 company-operated and 16 franchised Logan's Roadhouse restaurants in 17 states.

Except for specific historical information, many of the matters discussed in this press release may express or imply projections of revenues or expenditures, statements of plans and objectives or future operations or statements of future economic performance. These, and similar statements are forward-looking statements concerning matters that involve risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual performance of CBRL Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries to differ materially from those expressed or implied by this discussion. All forward-looking information is provided by the Company pursuant to the safe harbor established under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and should be evaluated in the context of these factors. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "assumptions", "target", "guidance", "outlook", "plans", "projection", "may", "will", "would", "expect", "intend", "estimate", "anticipate", "believe", "potential" or "continue" (or the negative or other derivatives of each of these terms) or similar terminology. Factors which could materially affect actual results include, but are not limited to: the effects of uncertain consumer confidence or general or regional economic weakness on sales and customer travel activity; practical or psychological effects of terrorist acts or war and military or government responses; consumer behavior affected by concerns over severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS); consumer behavior based on concerns over nutritional aspects of the Company's products or restaurant food in general; competitive marketing and operational initiatives; commodity, workers' compensation, group health and utility price changes; the effects of plans intended to improve operational execution and performance; the effects of increased competition at Company locations on sales and on labor recruiting, cost, and retention; the ability of and cost to the Company to recruit, train, and retain qualified restaurant hourly and management employees; the ability of the Company to identify and acquire successful new lines of retail merchandise; the availability and cost of acceptable sites for development and the Company's ability to identify such sites; changes in interest rates affecting the Company's financing costs; increases in construction costs; changes in or implementation of additional governmental or regulatory rules, regulations and interpretations affecting accounting, tax, wage and hour matters, health and safety, pensions and insurance; the actual results of pending or threatened litigation or governmental investigations and the costs and effects of negative publicity associated with these activities; changes in generally accepted accounting principles or changes in capital market conditions that could affect valuations of restaurant companies in general or the Company's goodwill in particular; other undeterminable areas of government or regulatory actions or regulations; and other factors described from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, press releases, and other communications.

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