SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC Form 8-K March 10, 2005

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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) March 9, 2005

#### Safeguard Scientifics, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

#### Pennsylvania

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-5620 23-1609753

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

800 The Safeguard Building 435 Devon Park Drive Wayne, PA

19087

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

## 610-293-0600

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

# Not applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, 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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## ITEM 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On March 10, 2005, Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. (Registrant) issued a press release setting forth Registrant s financial information for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2004. A copy of Registrant s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and hereby incorporated by reference.

This information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act) or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

# ITEM 5.02 <u>Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers</u>

On March 9, 2005, the Registrant s president and chief executive officer, Anthony L. Craig, notified the Board of Directors of his intention to retire and his decision to resign upon the commencement of employment of a new president and chief executive officer. A copy of Registrant s press release dated March 10, 2005 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and hereby incorporated by reference.

### ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
  - 99.1 Press Release of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. dated March 10, 2005 Announcing 2004 Fourth Quarter and Full-Year Results
  - 99.2 Press Release of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc. dated March 10, 2005 Announcing Chief Executive Officer Plans to Retire

## **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 hereunto duly authorized.

Safeguard Scientifics, Inc.

Dated: March 10, 2005 By: STEVEN J. FEDER

Steven J. Feder

Senior Vice President and General

Counsel

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