

BENNETT ENVIRONMENTAL INC

Form 6-K

December 16, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of December, 2004

Bennett Environmental Inc.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Suite 208, 1540 Cornwall Road, Oakville ON L6J 7W5

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F

Form 40-F

Please note that pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(d)(1), this registrant, being registered under Section 12, is not eligible for exemption under Rule 12g3-2(b). Accordingly, the following two questions are not relevant to this registrant and are therefore left blank.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes

No

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-_____ .

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.

Bennett Environmental Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: December 15, 2004

By: /s/ Al Bulckaert

[Print] Name: Al Bulckaert
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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Bennett Environmental Inc. Announces Bought Deal Financing

Oakville, ON, December 13, 2004: Bennett Environmental Inc. (TSX:BEV, Amex:BEL) announced today that it has entered into a bought deal financing agreement with Canaccord Capital Corporation (Canaccord).

Under the agreement, Canaccord has agreed to buy 2,500,000 common shares from treasury on a bought deal basis at a price of Cdn\$4.00 per common share, for gross proceeds of Cdn\$10,000,000. Canaccord will have the option to increase the size of the offering at any time until 48 hours prior to closing by up to an additional 500,000 Common Shares. The offering is scheduled to close on or about December 30th, 2004.

Net proceeds of the offering will be used for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The common shares will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 (the Securities Act) and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account of benefit of, U.S. persons except in certain transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.

About Bennett Environmental Inc.

Bennett Environmental Inc. is a North American leader in high temperature treatment services for the remediation of contaminated soil and has provided thermal solutions to contamination problems throughout Canada and the US. Bennett Environmental's technology provides for the safe, economical and permanent solution to contaminated soil. Independent testing has consistently proven that the technology operates well within the most stringent criteria in North America.

Bennett Environmental is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (Trading Symbol BEV) and the American Stock Exchange (Trading Symbol BEL). For information, please visit the Bennett Environmental website at www.bennettenv.com, or contact Al Bulckaert or Andy Boulanger at the Oakville office at (905) 339-1540.

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