

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) November 10, 1997

H&R BLOCK, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Missouri (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1-6089 (Commission File Number)	44-0607856 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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4400 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64111
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(816) 753-6900
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

ITEMS 1-4. NOT APPLICABLE.

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On November 10, 1997, the registrant and CompuServe Corporation ("CompuServe") jointly announced that the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice had advised the companies that it will permit the statutory waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, to expire without seeking additional information in connection with the merger of WAC Acquisition Company, L.L.C. ("WAC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of WorldCom, Inc. ("WorldCom"), with and into CompuServe pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of September 7, 1997, by and among the registrant, H&R Block Group, Inc., CompuServe, WorldCom and WAC. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 6. NOT APPLICABLE.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

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Press Release, dated November 10, 1997.

ITEM 8. NOT APPLICABLE.

ITEM 9. NOT APPLICABLE.

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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 signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunder duly authorized.

H&R BLOCK, INC.

By: /s/ Frank L. Salizzoni
Name: Frank L. Salizzoni
Title: President and Chief Executive
Officer

Dated: November 13, 1997

[Letterhead of H&R Block]

News Release

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO PERMIT ANTITRUST WAITING PERIOD TO EXPIRE ON
COMPUSERVE DEAL

FOR RELEASE MONDAY, NOV. 10, 1997

KANSAS CITY, Mo. and COLUMBUS, Ohio -- H&R Block Inc. (NYSE:HRB) and CompuServe Corporation (NASDAQ:CSRV) announced today that the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice has advised the companies that it will permit the statutory waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act for the H&R Block-CompuServe-WorldCom transaction to expire without seeking additional information.

As announced on September 8, H&R Block, CompuServe and WorldCom entered into a merger agreement pursuant to which WorldCom will acquire CompuServe in a stock-for-stock transaction valued at approximately \$1.2 billion. H&R Block owns approximately 80 percent of CompuServe.

The closing of the transaction is still subject to obtaining certain foreign regulatory approvals, CompuServe shareholder approval, and customary closing conditions. H&R Block has agreed to vote all of its shares in favor of the merger. The closing is expected to occur during the first quarter of calendar 1998.

Founded in 1955, H&R Block is a diversified company offering tax preparation services and financial products and services. H&R Block served more than 18 million taxpayers in nearly 10,000 offices in the United States, Canada and Australia in fiscal year 1997. The company handled approximately one in every seven regular returns including 51 percent of all electronic returns filed with the Internal Revenue Service last

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tax season. H&R Block also develops and provides Kiplinger TaxCut(R) software for personal computers. In addition, the company offers mortgage loans through its own retail operations and through a network of 5,000 mortgage brokers nationwide. Quarterly results and other information regarding H&R Block are available on the company's Web page at www.hrblock.com.

Founded in 1969, CompuServe Corporation provides comprehensive online/Internet access through its two brands, CompuServe Interactive and SPRYNET. Through CompuServe, its Japanese licensee NIFTY and its affiliates around the world, more than 5 million home and business users in more than 185

countries are connected online and to the Internet. CompuServe Network Services, a leading network integrator, provides more than 1,200 companies around the world with complete, fully integrated Internet, Intranet and Extranet connectivity solutions. With world headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, the CompuServe organization includes offices in the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Switzerland and the Netherlands.

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