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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): April 23, 2002

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-23189 41-1883630

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

8100 South Mitchell Road, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344-2248

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (952) 937-8500

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein is the text of C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.'s announcement regarding earnings results for the quarter ended March 31, 2002, as presented in a press release of April 23, 2002.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated April 23, 2002

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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.

Date: April 23, 2002

C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE, INC.

By: /s/ Chad Lindbloom

Chad Lindbloom Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit 99.1

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

C.H. ROBINSON REPORTS FIRST QUARTER RESULTS Income from Operations Up 15.2 Percent For the Quarter

MINNEAPOLIS, April 23, 2002 — C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. ("C.H. Robinson") (Nasdaq:CHRW), today reported financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2002.

For the first quarter of 2002, gross profits increased 0.3 percent to \$113.6 million from \$113.3 million in 2001. Income from operations increased 15.2 percent to \$33.8 million from \$29.4 million in 2001. Net income increased 14.9 percent to \$20.8 million from \$18.1 million in 2001. Basic net income per share increased 19.0 percent to \$0.25 from \$0.21 cents per share in 2001. Diluted net income per share increased 14.3 percent to \$0.24 from \$0.21 per share in 2001.

"We're pleased with our performance this quarter," said John Wiehoff, president of C.H. Robinson. "As we expected, the environment continued to be challenging for revenue growth. We continue to concentrate on sales and profitable growth, while aggressively managing our expenses. We believe that this focus, combined with our strong core competencies and long-term growth strategy, position us very well for the future."

For the first quarter, transportation gross profits decreased 0.2 percent. The decline in truck gross profits of 1.4 percent was due to a decline in truckload volumes.

Sourcing gross profits decreased 1.8 percent in the first quarter. The company continues to see the trend of less volume with its traditional business with produce wholesalers, which is offset by increases in volumes with large retailers.

For the first quarter, information services gross profits increased 12.9 percent. T-Chek related revenues, which now comprise 100 percent of information services, increased 19.4 percent during the quarter.

For the quarter, selling, general, and administrative expenses were \$20.9 million, a decrease of 21.7 percent from \$26.7 million in 2001. Amortization of certain intangible assets has been eliminated due to new accounting rules, which reduced amortization expense by \$1.3 million in the first quarter. In addition, we had notable declines in communications costs, travel expenses, and contractor costs.

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Founded in 1905, C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc., is one of the largest third-party logistics companies in North America. C.H. Robinson is a global provider of multimodal transportation services and logistics solutions, serving 15,000 customers through a network of 144 offices in North America, South America and Europe. C.H. Robinson maintains the single largest network of motor carrier capacity in North America through contracts with more than 20,000 motor carriers, and is one of the largest third-party providers of intermodal services in the United States.

Except for the historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this release are forward-looking statements which are based on certain assumptions and expectations of future events. These assumptions and expectations are dependent on and subject to certain risks and uncertainties including, but not limited to such factors as market demand, pricing, risks associated with operations outside of the U.S., changing economic conditions such as general economic slowdown and decreased consumer confidence, and other risk factors detailed under "Cautionary Statement" in Exhibit 99 to C.H. Robinson's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 15, 2002.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended March 31,			
		2002		2001
Gross revenues and management fees	\$	740,031	\$	732,484
Gross profits:				
Transportation: Truck Intermodal Ocean Air Miscellaneous	\$	85,952 4,168 3,839 553 2,056	\$	87,208 3,745 3,475 663 1,637
Total transportation Sourcing Information services		96,568 11,324 5,705		96,728 11,530 5,051
Total gross profits		113,597		113,309
Operating costs and expenses: Personnel expenses Selling, general, and administrative expenses		58,886 20,873		57,263 26,672
Total operating costs and expenses		79,759		83,935
Income from operations Investment and other income		33,838 328		29,374 506
Income before provision for income taxes Provision for income taxes		34,166 13,324		29,880 11,746
Net income	\$	20,842	\$	18,134
Net income per share (basic) Net income per share (diluted) Weighted average shares outstanding (basic) Weighted average shares outstanding (diluted)	\$ \$	0.25 0.24 84,567 85,978	\$ \$	0.21 0.21 84,372 85,755
	As of March 31,			
	_	2002	_	2001
Operational Data: Employees Branches		3,775 144		3,694 138

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(unaudited) (In thousands)

	March 31, 2002	De	ecember 31, 2001
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and investments	\$ 118,037	\$	115,741
Receivables, net	360,063		370,378
Deferred taxes	11,104		12,164
Other current assets	4,151		4,932
Total current assets	493,355		503,215
Net property and equipment	29,799		30,920
Intangible and other assets	162,808		149,355
	\$ 685,962	\$	683,490
Liabilities and stockholders' investment			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 267,455	\$	267,708
Accrued compensation	11,756		32,098
Other accrued expenses	28,447		23,722
Total current liabilities	307,658		323,528
Total long term liabilities	5,794		4,147
Total stockholders' investment	372,510		355,815
	\$ 685,962	\$	683,490

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

		Three months ended March 31,	
	2002	2001	
Operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 20,842	\$ 18,134	
Depreciation and amortization	3,542	4,838	
Other non-cash expenses	1,963	3,415	
Net changes in operating elements	(1,962)	(25,542)	
Net cash provided by operations	24,385	845	
Investing activities:			
Net property additions	(1,576)	(2,419)	
Cash paid for acquisitions, net	(15,716)	_	
Other assets, net	(93)	(1,548)	
Net cash used for investing	(17,385)	(3,967)	
Financing activities:			
Net sales (repurchases) of common stock	360	(1,001)	
Cash dividends	(5,064)	(4,220)	
Net cash used for financing activity	(4,704)	(5,221)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash	2,296	(8,343)	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	115,741	79,912	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 118,037	\$ 71,569	

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