SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 12B-25

Notification of Late Filing Commission File Number 0-1437 (Check one): () Form 10-K () Form 11-K () Form 20-F
(X) Form 10-Q () Form N-SAR
For period ended March 31, 1996 () Transition Report on Form 10-K () Transition Report on Form 20-F () Transition Report on Form 11-K () Transition Report on Form 10-Q () Transition Report on Form N-SAR
For the transition period ended

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PART I REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Full name of registrant HALSEY DRUG CO., INC.

Former name if applicable

1827 Pacific Street

Address of principal executive office (Street and Number)

City, State and Zip Code Brooklyn, New York 11233

PART II RULE 12B-25(B) AND (C)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check where appropriate.)

- () (a) The reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III ofthis form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;
- (X) (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, 20-F, 11-K or Form N-SAR, or portion thereof will be filed on or before the 15th calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or portion, thereof will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date, and
- () (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibitrequired by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail the reasons why Form 10-K, 11-K, 20-F, 10-Q, N-SAR or the transition report portion thereof could not be filed within the prescribed time period. (Attach extra sheets if needed.)

Financial information from subsidiaries will not be received in sufficient time.

PART IV OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact inregard to this notification.

(Name)

(Area Code) (Telephone Number)

- (2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If the answer is no, identify report(s).
 - (X) Yes () No
- (3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof?
- () Yes (X) No
 If so, attach an explanation of the anticipated
 change,both narratively and quantitatively, and, if appropriate,
 state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the results cannot
 be made.

HALSEY DRUG CO., INC.
(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)
Has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date May 15, 1996

By /s/ Rosendo Ferran Rosendo Ferran, President and Chief Executive Officer