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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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FORM 12b-25

NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

(Check One) ☒ Form 10-K ☐ Form 20-F ☐ Form 11-K ☐ Form 10-Q ☐ Form N-SAR

For Period Ended: December 31, 2001

☐ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

READ ATTACHED INSTRUCTION SHEET BEFORE PREPARING FORM. PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Nothing in the form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has  
verified any information contained herein.

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If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above,  
identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates:  
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PART I - REGISTRANT INFORMATION

HALSEY DRUG CO., INC.

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Full Name of Registrant

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Former Name if Applicable

695 N. Perryville Road

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Address of Principal Executive Office (STREET AND NUMBER)

Rockford, Illinois 61107

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City, State and Zip Code

PART II - RULES 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 appropriate box)

- X (a) The reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III of this  
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, Form 20-F, 11-K, Form N-SAR, or portion  
thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day  
following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly  
report of 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 exhibit required by Rule  
12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III - NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail the reasons why the Form 10-K, 11-K, 10-Q,  
N-SAR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed with the  
prescribed time period.

The Company is the process of finalizing the terms and documentation  
relating to a private offering of securities for an aggregate purchase price of  
up to \$15,000,000 (the "Offering"). While there can be no assurance that the  
Offering will be completed, the securities proposed to be issued in the  
Offering will consist of 5% convertible senior secured debentures (the  
"Debentures") and common stock purchase warrants (the "Warrants") exercisable

for an aggregate of up to 1,818,181 shares of the Company's Common Stock, \$ .01 par value per share. The Debentures and Warrants will be issued by the Company pursuant to a certain Debenture and Warrant Purchase Agreement by and among the Company and the proposed investors in the Offering. Upon the completion of the Offering, the Company will disclose the Offering and its terms pursuant to a Current Report filing on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Pending the completion of the Offering, the Company lacks sufficient working capital and sources of financing necessary to satisfy its current liabilities, including trade payables and accounts payable to its outside professionals, including its independent certified public accountants. While there can be no assurance as to the completion of the Offering, the Company believes that if completed, the net proceeds for the Offering will allow the Company to satisfy a substantial portion of its outstanding liabilities and accounts payable, including making arrangements for the satisfaction of fees and expenses owed to its independent certified public accountants.

As a result of the negotiation and documentation of the Offering during February and March, 2002, the Company was unable to timely close its books for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001. As a result, the completion of audit for fiscal year 2001 by the Company's independent auditors was delayed, thereby preventing the Company's filing of its Annual Report on Form 10-K by March 31, 2002. The Company's books have recently been closed and the Company's independent auditors are in the process of finalizing their audit. As indicated above, it is Management's belief that the Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 will be filed on or before the 15th calendar day following its prescribed due date.

## PART IV - OTHER INFORMATION

- (1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification
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|--|-------------|--------------------|
| Peter Clemens, Chief Financial Officer | (815)       | 399-2060           |
| -----                                  | -----       | -----              |
| (Name)                                 | (Area Code) | (Telephone Number) |
- (2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of 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 reports been filed? If answer is no identify report(s).
- ☒ 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    ☒ 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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 29, 2002

By: /s/ Peter Clemens

Peter Clemens, Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer