MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO Form 8-K March 04, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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): March 2, 2004

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-15579 (Commission

File Number)

25-0668780 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

121 Gamma Drive

RIDC Industrial Park

O Hara Township

15238

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (412) 967-3000

Item 7. Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number	Description
	Mine Safety Appliances Company Press Release dated March 2, 2004, announcing financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2003.

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 2, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2003. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

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.

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY (Registrant)

By /s/ Dennis L. Zeitler

Dennis L. Zeitler Vice President - Finance

Date: March 4, 2003

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