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March 18, 2003

UNITED STATES 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 17, 2003  
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W. R. GRACE & CO.  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-13953  
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(Commission File Number)

65-0773649  
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(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

7500 Grace Drive, Columbia, Maryland 21044  
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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 410/531-4000  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.  
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On March 17, 2003, W. R. Grace & Co. ("Grace") notified participants in its Savings and Investment Plan, a plan qualified under section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Plan"), of changes in the operation of the Grace common stock funds. In recognition that the value of Grace common stock is more likely to be affected by speculation as Grace progresses toward a plan of reorganization in its Chapter 11 proceeding, commencing on April 21, 2003, participants will no longer be permitted to contribute to, or make transfers from other funds into, the Grace common stock funds. Participants in the Plan will continue to be able to transfer existing balances out of the Grace common stock funds into the other available investment funds offered by the Plan. The letter to participants is filed as an exhibit hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

W. R. GRACE & CO.  
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(Registrant)

By /s/ Mark A. Shelnitz  
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Mark A. Shelnitz  
Secretary

Dated: March 17, 2003

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Letter from W. Brian McGowan, Senior Vice President,  
to Participants in the W. R. Grace & Co. Savings and  
Investment Plan