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October 16, 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

October 15, 2003

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| New York | 1-3157 | 13-0872805 |
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| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

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| 400 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut | 06921 |
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| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

203-541-8000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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Item 5. Other Events.

On October 15, 2003, International Paper Company issued a press release relating to the election of Martha Finn Brooks as a director of International Paper Company, effective December 9, 2003.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(99.1) Press Release issued by International Paper Company dated October 15, 2003.

SIGNATURE

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.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY

(Registrant)

Date: October 16, 2003
Stamford, Connecticut

By /s/ Paula Bauer

Paula Bauer
Assistant Secretary

STATEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

The registered trademark symbol shall be expressed as.....'r'