

GENUINE PARTS CO  
Form 8-K  
April 17, 2003

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**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): April 17, 2003

**GENUINE PARTS COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Georgia

001-05690

58-0254510

(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

2999 Circle 75 Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339

(Addresses of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)  
(770) 953-1700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

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PRESS RELEASE DATED 4/17/03

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**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On April 17, 2003, Genuine Parts Company (the Company ) issued a press release setting forth the Company's 1st quarter 2003 earnings. A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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**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.

GENUINE PARTS COMPANY

By: /s/ Jerry W. Nix

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Name: Jerry W. Nix  
Title: Executive Vice President  
Finance (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: April 17, 2003

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<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
99.1	Press Release, dated April 17, 2003.