

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO  
Form 8-K  
March 12, 2004

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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### 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 12, 2004

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# MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**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**

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**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15238**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

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**Item 7. Exhibits.**

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Mine Safety Appliances Company Press Release dated March 12, 2004, announcing the election of Diane M. Pearse to the Board of Directors and the retirement of Director Joseph L. Calihan.

**Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On March 12, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing the election of Diane M. Pearse to the Board of Directors and the retirement of Director Joseph L. Calihan. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.



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