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PACKAGING CORP OF AMERICA Form 8-K March 09, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 4, 2004

Packaging Corporation of America

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-15399 (Commission File Number) 36-4277050 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1900 West Field Court, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(847) 482-3000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Item 5. Other Event

On March 4, 2004, Packaging Corporation of America announced that its Board had approved a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$0.15 per share on its common stock. The quarterly dividend will be paid on April 15, 2004 to shareholders of record as of March 15, 2004. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

PACKAGING CORPORATION OF AMERICA

(Registrant)

By: /s/ PAUL T. STECKO

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

(Authorized Officer)

By: /s/ RICHARD B. WEST

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Corporate Secretary (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: March 9,

2004