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

April 15, 2003

Date of Report

AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-7685 (Commission File Number) 95-1492269 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

150 N. Orange Grove Boulevard

Pasadena, California (Address of principal executive offices)

91103 (Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, including area code: (626) 304-2000

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Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On April 14, 2003, the Registrant issued a news release commenting on the U.S. Department of Justice actions involving the label stock industry as set forth in Exhibit 99.

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.

Dated: April 15, 2003

AVERY DENNISON CORPORATION

By: $\slash\hspace{-0.5em}$ /s/ Daniel R.

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Name: Daniel R. O Bryant

Title: Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT LIST

Exhibit No.	Description
99	News release dated April 14, 2003