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OFFICE DEPOT INC  
Form 8-K  
October 16, 2002

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

Date of Report October 16, 2002

Commission file number 1-10948

OFFICE DEPOT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

59-2663954

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

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(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2200 Old Germantown Road, Delray Beach, Florida 33445

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(561) 438-4800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On October 16, 2002, Office Depot, Inc. issued a press release, with earnings information for its fiscal third quarter of 2002. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

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99.1 Press release dated October 16, 2002, announcing financial results for the Company's fiscal third quarter for its fiscal year 2002.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

OFFICE DEPOT, INC.

Date: October 16, 2002

By: /S/ DAVID C. FANNIN

David C. Fannin  
Executive Vice President and  
General Counsel