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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): January 23, 2004

The St. Paul Companies, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Minnesota

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-10898 41-0518860

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

385 Washington Street Saint Paul, MN

55102

(Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(651) 310-7911

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Item 7(c). Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press release dated January 23, 2004.

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 23, 2004, The St. Paul Companies, Inc. issued the press release that is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The information contained in the press release is incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURES

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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.

Date: January 23, 2004

THE ST. PAUL COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Bruce A. Backberg

Name: Bruce A. Backberg Title: Senior Vice President

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