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March 07, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

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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 7, 2003 (March 6, 2003)

Seneca Foods Corporation  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York                            0-1989                            16-0733425  
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(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (I. R. S. Employer  
incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.)

3736 South Main Street, Marion, New York 14505  
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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 315/926-8100  
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Not Applicable  
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Former name, former address and former fiscal year,  
if changed since last report

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The Press Release announcing that a definitive agreement was signed with Chiquita Brands International, Inc. to buy its vegetable canning subsidiary Chiquita Processed Foods, L.L.C. is attached hereto as Exhibit 20 with respect to Item 9.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On March 6, 2003, the announcement was made (Exhibit 20 hereto) that the Registrant entered into a definitive agreement to buy Chiquita Processed Foods, L.L.C., the vegetable canning subsidiary of Chiquita Brands International, Inc.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Seneca Foods Corporation  
(Registrant)

/s/Kraig H. Kayser

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Kraig H. Kayser  
President and  
Chief Executive Officer

March 7, 2003