COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO Form 8-K October 16, 2003

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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 (Date of earliest event reported): October 16, 2003

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE	1-4329	34-4297750
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
701 Lima Avenue, Findlay, OH	_	45840
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	_	(Zip Code)
Registrant s telep	ohone number, including area code: (419) 423-1321
(Former Name or	r Former Address, if Changed Since	Last Report)

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ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

Designation of Exhibits in this Report	Description of Exhibit	
99	News Release dated October 16, 2003	

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE (Information Furnished in this Item 9 is Furnished under Item 12)

In accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Release No. 33-8216, the following information, which is intended to be furnished under Item 12, Results of Operations and Financial Condition, is instead being furnished under Item 9, Regulation FD Disclosure. This information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On October 16, 2003, a news release was issued on the subject of third quarter consolidated earnings for Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (CTB).

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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, hereunto duly authorized.

COOPER TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY

By: /s/ James E. Kline
 James E. Kline
 Vice President
 General Counsel
 and Corporate Secretary

Date: October 16, 2003