WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ Form 8-K February 03, 2004

# **SECURITIES**

SECURITIES AN	ND EXCHANGE CO	<b>MMISSION</b>
,	Washington, D.C. 20549	
	FORM 8-K	
	CURRENT REPORT	
Pursua	ant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the	
Secu	urities Exchange Act of 1934	
	And Regulation FD	
Date of Report (D	ate of earliest event reported) Februar	ry 3, 2004
	OOL CORPORA me of registrant as specified in its charter)	
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction	1-3932 (Commission File Number)	38-1490038 (I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation)		Identification No.)
2000 M63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan	n	49022-2692

(Zip Code)

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 $(269) \hbox{-} 923 \hbox{-} 5000$  Registrant s telephone number, including area code

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#### Item 7 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated February 3, 2004, announcing financial results for fourth quarter and full year 2003.

#### Item 12 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 3, 2004, the registrant announced fourth-quarter and full year 2003 results. Fourth-quarter net earnings of \$125 million, or \$1.76 per diluted share, compared to a net loss of \$29 million, or \$0.42 per diluted share, in the prior-year period.

For 2003, the company reported net earnings of \$414 million, or \$5.91 per diluted share, compared to a net loss of \$394 million, or \$5.68 per diluted share, in 2002. The text of the press release is attached as an exhibit to this Form 8-K.

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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.

#### WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: February 3, 2004 By: /s/ Robert T. Kenagy

Name: Robert T. Kenagy Title: Corporate Secretary

#### **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 3, 2004