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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: April 12, 2004

(Date of earliest event reported)

KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-225 39-0394230
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Identification No.)

P. O. Box 619100, Dallas, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

T-225 39-0394230
(I.R.S. Employer File
Identification No.)

75261-9100
(Zip Code)

(972) 281-1200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Item 12 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Attached and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the press release of Kimberly-Clark Corporation, dated April 12, 2004, regarding the Corporation's earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2004.

The information, including exhibits attached hereto, in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

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.

KIMBERLY-CLARK CORPORATION

Date: April 12, 2004 By: <u>/s/ Mark A. Buthman</u>

Mark A. Buthman Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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(99.1) Press release issued by Kimberly-Clark Corporation on April 12, 2004, regarding the Corporation's earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2004.