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Form 8-K

August 13, 2002

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): August 13, 2002

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania	0-2504	25-0668780
----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	----- (Commission File Number)	----- (IRS Employer Identification No.)
121 Gamma Drive RIDC Industrial Park O'Hara Township Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania		15238
----- (Address of principal executive offices)		----- (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 412-967-3000

PART II OTHER INFORMATION  
MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

All exhibits are furnished pursuant to Item 9.

Exhibit Number

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| 99.1 | Certification of J. T. Ryan III pursuant to 18 U.S.C.(S)1350 |
| 99.2 | Certification of D. L. Zeitler pursuant to 18 U.S.C.(S)1350  |

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 13, 2002, Mine Safety Appliances Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002 accompanied by the certifications of John T. Ryan III, Chief Executive Officer, and Dennis L. Zeitler, Chief Financial Officer, required pursuant to 18 U.S.C. (S) 1350. Conformed copies of such certifications are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2

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## 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.

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

Date: August 13, 2002

By /s/ Dennis L. Zeitler  
Dennis L. Zeitler  
Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

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