

DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/  
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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 23, 2003**

**THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**1-3433**  
(Commission file number)

**38-1285128**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**2030 DOW CENTER, MIDLAND, MICHIGAN 48674**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 989-636-1000

**Not applicable**

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events.

The Dow Chemical Company issued a press release on October 23, 2003, announcing results for the third quarter of 2003.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by The Dow Chemical Company on October 23, 2003, announcing results for the third quarter of 2003.

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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.

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THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY

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Registrant

Date: October 23, 2003

/s/ FRANK H. BROD

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Frank H. Brod  
Vice President and Controller

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