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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K/A
AMENDMENT NO. 2

FOR ANNUAL AND TRANSITION REPORTS
PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 13 OR 15(D) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 0-26006

TARRANT APPAREL GROUP
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

CALIFORNIA
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

95-4181026
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

3151 EAST WASHINGTON BOULEVARD
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90023
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (323) 780-8250

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

NONE

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

COMMON STOCK

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes No

As of June 30, 2003, the aggregate market value of the Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was approximately \$16,804,979 based upon the closing price of the Common Stock on that date.

Number of shares of Common Stock of the Registrant outstanding as of March 26, 2004: 28,814,763.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the 2004 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

We are filing this Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2003 (the "Amended Annual Report"), to amend our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003 (the "Original Annual Report"), which was originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 31, 2004 and amended on May 31, 2005. The Company is filing this Amended Annual Report in response to comments received from the SEC. The following Items amend the Original Annual Report, as amended, as permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC. Unless otherwise stated, all information contained in this Amended Annual Report is as of March 31, 2004. All capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Original Annual Report.

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PART II

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

EVALUATION OF CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Members of the company's management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined by paragraph (e) of Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15, as of December 31, 2003, the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

CHANGES IN CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting or in other factors identified in connection with the evaluation required by paragraph (d) of Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 or 15d-15 that occurred during our fourth quarter ended December 31, 2003 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF OUR AUDITORS

During 2003, our prior independent public accountants, Ernst & Young, LLP, advised us and discussed with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors that, due in part to certain acquisitions by our subsidiaries in Mexico and modifications to our inventory costing methodology, certain improvements in the internal controls of those subsidiaries were necessary to ensure reporting from the subsidiaries would be sufficient for us to develop reliable financial statements. We have and will continue to address the deficiencies identified by Ernst & Young, LLP in consultation with Grant Thornton, LLP, our new independent public accountants.

In connection with its audit of our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2003, Grant Thornton LLP, our independent accountants, advised the Audit Committee and management of our need for additional staff with expertise in preparing required disclosures in the notes to the financial statements, and our need to develop greater internal resources for researching and evaluating the appropriateness of complex accounting principles and evaluating the effect of new accounting pronouncements on the company. Grant Thornton LLP considers these matters to be significant deficiencies as that term is defined under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We considered these matters in connection with the preparation of the December 31, 2003 consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-K and also determined that no prior period financial statements were materially affected by such matters. In response to the observations made by Grant Thornton, LLP, in 2004 we will implement certain enhancements to our financial reporting processes, including increased training of staff on SEC financial reporting requirements and the acquisition of accounting research tools. We believe these steps will address the matters raised by Grant Thornton LLP.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

TARRANT APPAREL GROUP

By: /S/ CORAZON REYES

Corazon Reyes
Chief Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned directors and officers of Tarrant Apparel Group do hereby constitute and appoint Barry Aved and Corazon Reyes, and each of them, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, as their true and lawful attorneys and agents, to do any and all acts and things in our name and behalf in our capacities as directors and officers and to execute any and all instruments for us and in our names in the capacities indicated below, which said attorney and agent, may deem necessary or advisable to enable said corporation to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and any rules, regulations and requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, in connection with this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including

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specifically but without limitation, power and authority to sign for us or any of us in our names in the capacities indicated below, any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) hereto, and we do hereby ratify and confirm all that said attorneys and agents, or either of them, shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE -----	TITLE -----	DATE -----
/S/ BARRY AVED ----- Barry Aved	Chief Executive Officer and Director	June 9, 2005
/S/ CORAZON REYES ----- Corazon Reyes	Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	June 9, 2005
/S/ GERARD GUEZ ----- Gerard Guez	Chairman of the Board of Directors	June 9, 2005
/S/ TODD KAY ----- Todd Kay	Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors	June 9, 2005
/S/ SIMON MANI ----- Simon Mani	Director	June 9, 2005
/S/ STEPHANE FAROUZE ----- Stephane Farouze	Director	June 9, 2005
/S/ MITCHELL SIMBAL ----- Mitchell Simbal	Director	June 9, 2005
/S/ JOSEPH MIZRACHI ----- Joseph Mizrachi	Director	June 9, 2005
/S/ MILTON KOFFMAN ----- Milton Koffman	Director	June 9, 2005