

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC
Form 8-K
August 06, 2003

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): **July 30, 2003**

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia
(State or other jurisdiction)

1-15321
(Commission File Number)

52-0845861
(IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

200 Commerce Street

Smithfield, Virginia
(Address of principal executive offices)

23430
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(757) 365-3000**

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | Press release, dated as of July 30, 2003 |

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 30, 2003, Smithfield Foods, Inc. issued a press release commenting on expected earnings for its first quarter of fiscal 2004, ended July 27, 2003, and the proposed Farmland Foods acquisition. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.

Date: August 5, 2003

/s/ DANIEL G. STEVENS

Daniel G. Stevens

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued July 30, 2003.