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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): November 17, 2003

AVOCENT CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE	000-30575	91-2032368
(State of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE  
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA 35805  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices / Zip Code)

(256) 430-4000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosures.

On November 17, 2003, Avocent Corporation publicly disseminated a press release announcing a definitive agreement whereby Avocent will acquire Crystal Link Technologies subject to the approval of the Crystal Link shareholders and continued due diligence. The information contained in the press release is incorporated herein by reference and filed as Exhibit 99.7 hereto.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.7 Press Release dated November 17, 2003.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AVOCENT CORPORATION

Dated: November 17, 2003

By: /s/ Douglas E. Pritchett

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Douglas E. Pritchett  
Senior Vice President of Finance,

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Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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