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):

April 23, 2003

COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO. CONSOLIDATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-9286 56-0950585 (State or other (Commission (IRS Employer

jurisdiction of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)

28211 (Zip Code)

(704) 557-4400

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

(a)	Financial Statements. Not applicable.		
(b)	Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.		
(c)	Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed herewith:		
	99.1 Press release issued on April 23, 2003.		
Item 9. Re	egulation FD Disclosure.		
The follow	wing information is being furnished pursuant to Item 9.	Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 12	Results of Operations and Financial
The Regis	strant issued a press release on April 23, 2003 covering	the results of the first 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.

COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO. CONSOLIDATED

(REGISTRANT)

Date: April 25, 2003 BY: /s/ David V. Singer

David V. Singer

Principal Financial Officer of the Registrant

and Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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