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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

OCTOBER 23, 2001 (OCTOBER 23, 2001) (DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED)

CENDANT CORPORATION
(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE 1-10308 06-0918165
(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION (COMMISSION FILE NO.) (I.R.S. EMPLOYER
OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION) IDENTIFICATION NUMBER)

9 WEST 57TH STREET NEW YORK, NY (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICE)

10019 (ZIP CODE)

(212) 413-1800 (REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

This Current Report on Form 8-K of the Company is being filed to make available its Consolidated Schedule of Free Cash Flows (see Exhibit 99.1) for the twelve months ended September 30, 2001 and 2000 and its Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (see Exhibit 99.2) for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 and 2000.

Free cash flow is another measure used by management to evaluate liquidity and financial condition. Free cash flow represents cash available for the repayment of debt and other corporate purposes such

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as stock repurchases, acquisitions and investments for the latest twelve-month period. The Company has provided the Consolidated Schedule of Free Cash Flows for the twelve months ended September 30, 2001 and 2000 as that reflects the measure in which management evaluates the performance of its free cash flows. Such measure of performance may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies and is not a measurement recognized under generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, free cash flow should not be construed as a substitute for income or cash flow from operations in measuring operating results or liquidity. The Consolidated Schedule of Free Cash Flows for the twelve months ended September 30, 2001 and 2000 should be read in conjunction with the Company's Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows attached hereto as well as the Company's Consolidated Statements of Income included within the Company's earnings release of third quarter results filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 8-K on October 18, 2001 and the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A filed on July 3, 2001.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

See Exhibit Index.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

CENDANT CORPORATION

BY: /s/ Tobia Ippolito

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Executive Vice President, Finance and

Chief Accounting Officer

Date: October 23, 2001

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EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT	
NO.	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Consolidated Schedule of Free Cash Flows for the twelve
	months ended September 30, 2001 and 2000
99.2	Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months
	ended September 30, 2001 and 2000