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Not Applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Copy of press release, dated August 13, 2003, issued by Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 13, 2003, Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation issued a press release announcing the expiration and results of the exchange offer for its new 1.5% Contingent Convertible Senior Notes due 2033. A copy of the press release appears as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

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.

MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: August 18, 2003

/s/ Mark A. Prygocki, Sr.

Name: Mark A. Prygocki, Sr. Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Secretary and Treasurer

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