CHIRON CORP Form 8-K January 09, 2004

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): January 9, 2004

	Chiron Corporation	
	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)	
Delaware	0-12798	94-2754624
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
4560 Horton Street, Emeryville, CA		94608
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Regi	strant s telephone number, including area code (510) 6	55-8730
	N/A	
	ormer name or former address, if changed since last rep	ort)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

Chiron Corporation announced on January 9, 2004 that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective its registration statement on Form S-3 relating to the resale of \$500 million principal amount of its 1-5/8% Convertible Debentures due 2033 and the shares of its common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

EXHIBIT NUMBER

99.1 Press release by Chiron Corporation dated January 9, 2004, relating to the Company s announcement of the effectiveness of its registration statement for resale of 1-5/8% convertible debentures due 2033, referred to in Item 5 above.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

CHIRON CORPORATION

Date: January 9, 2004 By: /s/ William G.

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William G. Green

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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