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WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ Form 8-K August 15, 2002

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

And Regulation FD

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 15, 2002

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-3932 38-1490038

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2000 M63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022-2692
-----(Address of principal executive officers) (Zip Code)

(269) -923-5000

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Item 5. - Other Events

On August 15, 2002, the registrant announced the appointment of R. Stephen Barrett, Jr. as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Whirlpool Corporation, succeeding Mark Brown, who was appointed senior vice president in charge of global strategic sourcing.

Item 7. - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Copy of August 15, 2002 press release announcing the appointment of R. Stephen Barrett, Jr. as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Whirlpool Corporation.

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SIGNATURE

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.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: August 15, 2002 By: /s/ Robert T. Kenagy

Name: Robert T. Kenagy

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Title: Corporate Secretary