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Form 8-K  
December 18, 2003

U.S. 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): December 18, 2003

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	1-12983	06-1398235
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4 Tesseneer Drive  
Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(859) 572-8000

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Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code

Not Applicable

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(Former name or former address,  
if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. Other Events

On December 18, 2003, the registrant issued a news release, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

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(c) The exhibit accompanying this report is listed in the Index to Exhibits.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION

Date: December 18, 2003

By: /s/ Robert J. Siverd

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Robert J. Siverd  
Executive Vice President, General Counsel

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Number	Description	Method of Filing
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99.1	General Cable Corporation news release dated December 18, 2003	Filed herewith