

APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE  
Form 8-K  
December 23, 2003

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 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 23, 2003**

**APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**0-6920**

(Commission File Number)

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Delaware

94-1655526

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

P.O. Box 58039

Santa Clara, CA 95054-3299

(Address of principal executive offices, with zip code)

(408) 727-5555

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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**Item 7. Financial Statements, *Pro Forma* Financial Information and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release issued by Applied Materials, Inc. dated December 23, 2003.

**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On December 23, 2003, Applied Materials, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release, the text of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, is furnished pursuant to Item 9 and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings.

**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.

Date: December 23, 2003

APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.

By:           /s/  JOSEPH J. SWEENEY          

Joseph J. Sweeney

Group Vice President

Legal Affairs and Intellectual  
Property

and Corporate Secretary

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\* Also provided in PDF format as a courtesy.