TENET HEALTHCARE CORP Form 8-K September 08, 2003

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: September 5, 2003

(Date of earliest event reported)

Commission file number: 1-7293

# TENET HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or Incorporation)

95-2557091 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3820 State Street Santa Barbara, California 93105

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

#### (805) 563-7000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### N/A

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

ITEM 9. Tenet To Cooperate With Senate Finance Committee Request.

On September 5, 2003, Tenet Healthcare Corporation issued a press release stating that it received a letter today from Sen. Charles E. Grassley (R-Iowa), Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, notifying the company that the committee has begun an investigation of Tenet s corporate governance practices with respect to federal health care programs. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and hereby is furnished.

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### TENET HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Stephen D. Farber

Stephen D. Farber Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 5, 2003

### EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release dated September 5, 2003.

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