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VERTICALNET INC Form 8-K April 17, 2003

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): April 14, 2003

Verticalnet, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Pennsylvania 000-25269 23-2815834

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

400 Chester Field Parkway, Malvern, PA 19355

(Address of principal executive offices) Zip Code

Registrant's telephone, including area code: 610-240-0600

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

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On April 14, 2003, KPMG LLP delivered to Verticalnet, Inc. an Independent Auditors' Consent which replaces the Consent filed as Exhibit 23.1 with the Annual Report filed on Form 10-K.

A copy of the Independent Auditors' Consent is attached hereto as Exhibit 23.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

- ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS
 - (a) None
 - (b) Exhibits.
 - 23.1 Independent Auditors' Consent

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

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undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

VERTICALNET, INC.

Date: 4/17/03 By: /s/ Christopher G. Kuhn

Name: Christopher G. Kuhn

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

23.1 Independent Auditors' Consent