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Form 8-K
January 12, 2004

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):
JANUARY 12, 2004

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN
(Exact name of company as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE	1-4717	44-0663509
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission file number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)

427 WEST 12TH STREET, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64105

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

COMPANY'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE:
(816) 983 - 1303

NOT APPLICABLE
(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

EXHIBIT NO. (99)	DOCUMENT Additional Exhibits
99.1	Press Release issued by Kansas City Southern dated January

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12, 2004 entitled,
"Kansas City Southern
Announces Fourth
Quarter and Year End
2003 Earnings Release
Date, Conference
Call," is attached
hereto as Exhibit 99.1

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Kansas City Southern ("KCS" or "Company") is furnishing under Item 9 of this Current Report on Form 8-K the information included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. Exhibit 99.1 is the KCS news release, dated January 12, 2004, announcing the date, time and other relevant information regarding the Company's fourth quarter presentation and conference call of its financial results for the three months and year ended December 31, 2003.

The information included in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is furnished pursuant to Item 9 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section.

SIGNATURE

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

Kansas City Southern

Date: January 12, 2004

By: /S/ RONALD G. RUSS

Ronald G. Russ
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT 99.1

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN
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PRESS RELEASE
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KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER AND YEAR END 2003 EARNINGS
RELEASE DATE, CONFERENCE CALL

Kansas City Southern (KCS) (NYSE:KSU) will report financial results for Fourth Quarter and Year End 2003 on Thursday, January 29, 2004, prior to the opening of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

KCS management will discuss the Company's fourth quarter and year-end results at a meeting at JPMorgan, 277 Park Avenue (note address change), 17th Floor, New York, NY. The presentation will begin at 1:00 p.m. EST. A buffet lunch will be available at 12:30 p.m. Shareholders and interested parties not able to attend are invited to listen to the presentation via telephone by calling 1-800-955-1795 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-706-643-0096 (International). A replay of the presentation will be available for one week following and can be accessed by calling 1-800-642-1687 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-706-645-9291 (International), Conference ID: 4812370. The accompanying slides to the presentation will be available on the KCS website, www.kcsi.com, immediately prior to the telephone conference.

KCS is comprised of, among others, The Kansas City Southern Railway, and equity investments in Grupo Transportacion Ferroviaria Mexicana, S.A. de C.V., Southern Capital Corporation, and the Panama Canal Railway Company