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WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
August 15, 2002

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

And Regulation FD

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 15, 2002

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-3932

38-1490038

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

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(Commission File  
Number)

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

2000 M63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan

49022-2692

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(Address of principal executive officers)

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(Zip Code)

(269)-923-5000

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Item 5. - Other Events  
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On August 15, 2002, the registrant announced the appointment of R. Stephen Barrett, Jr. as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Whirlpool Corporation, succeeding Mark Brown, who was appointed senior vice president in charge of global strategic sourcing.

Item 7. - Financial Statements and Exhibits  
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Copy of August 15, 2002 press release announcing the appointment of R. Stephen Barrett, Jr. as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Whirlpool Corporation.

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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 undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: August 15, 2002

By: /s/ Robert T. Kenagy

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Name: Robert T. Kenagy  
Title: Corporate Secretary