COCA COLA BOTTLING CO CONSOLIDATED /DE/ Form 8-K February 20, 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): February 18, 2004

COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO. CONSOLIDATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 0-9286 (Commission File Number) 56-0950585 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(704) 557-4400

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

- (a) Financial Statements. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished pursuant to Item 12 and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filings made by Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated (the Company) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.
 - 99.1 Press release issued on February 18, 2004.

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 18, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing fourth quarter 2003 and fiscal year 2003 results. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO. CONSOLIDATED (REGISTRANT)

Date: February 20, 2004

BY:

/s/ David V. Singer

David V. Singer Principal Financial Officer of the Registrant

and

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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