

GENUINE PARTS CO  
Form 8-K  
August 18, 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 (Date of earliest event reported): August 18, 2003

**GENUINE PARTS COMPANY**

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Georgia

001-05690

58-0254510

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(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

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(Commission  
File Number)

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(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

2999 Circle 75 Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339

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(Addresses of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)  
(770) 953-1700

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

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**Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.**

The Board of Directors of Genuine Parts Company declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 29.5 cents per share on the Company's common stock.

The dividend is payable October 1, 2003 to shareholders of record September 5, 2003.

In addition, the Board of Directors approved the following officer change. Robert J. Susor, age 58, was elected to the position of Executive Vice President. Mr. Susor has 35 years of service with the Company and was previously Senior Vice President of the Company.

Attached and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the press release of Genuine Parts Company, dated August 18, 2003, reporting Genuine Parts Company dividend payable October 1, 2003.

**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.

GENUINE PARTS COMPANY

By:         /s/ Jerry W. Nix        

Name: Jerry W. Nix  
Title: Executive Vice President  
Finance (Principal Financial  
Officer)

Date: August 18, 2003

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release, dated August 18, 2003.