

ROCK TENN CO  
Form 8-K  
September 25, 2003

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**UNITED STATES  
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): September 23, 2003**

**Rock-Tenn Company**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Georgia  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

0-23340  
(Commission File Number)

62-0342590  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

504 Thrasher Street, Norcross, Georgia  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

30071  
(Zip Code)

(770) 448-2193  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On September 23, 2003, Rock-Tenn Company ( **Rock-Tenn** ) issued a press release (the **Press Release** ) that announced Rock-Tenn had entered into a definitive agreement to sell its Plastic Packaging Division to Pactiv Corporation. A copy of the Press Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and hereby incorporated herein.

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**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.

ROCK-TENN COMPANY  
(Registrant)

Date: September 25, 2003

By: /s/ Steven C. Voorhees

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Steven C. Voorhees, Executive Vice-President and Chief  
Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer, Principal  
Accounting Officer and duly authorized officer)

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**Exhibit Number and Description**

99.1            September 23, 2003 Press Release