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May 22, 2003

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): May 22, 2003

SOUTHERN PERU COPPER CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-14066
(Commission File Number)

13-3849
(I.R.S. Employer I
Numbe

2575 East Camelback Road
Phoenix, AZ 85016
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 977-6500

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events

On May 22, 2003 Southern Peru Copper Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release regarding a director's resignation from the Board of Directors of the Company. The press release is annexed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report

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and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

SOUTHERN PERU COPPER CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Armando Ortega

Its: Vice President-Legal and
Secretary of the Board

Date: May 22, 2003

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- 99.1 Press release by Southern Peru Copper Corporation (the "Company") dated May 22, 2003, announcing a director's resignation from the Board of Directors of the Company.