CENTERPULSE LTD Form 6-K August 08, 2003

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Special Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of August, 2003

Centerpulse Ltd.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

Andreasstrasse 15 CH-8050 Zurich Switzerland

(Address of principal executive office)			
(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)			
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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)			
Yes C	o	No ý	
(If Yes is marked, indicate below the fi	file number assigned to the registrant	in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-	.)

Centerpulse Ltd. (Centerpulse) is filing this Report on Form 6-K to furnish the media release regarding the Smith & Nephew announcement that it does not plan to increase its existing offer for Centerpulse. The media release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Centerpulse hereby incorporates this Report on Form 6-K by reference into the Registration Statements on Form S-8, Nos. 33-8300, 333-76280, 333-76282, 333-103944, 333-103945 and 333-103946.

99.1 Media Release dated August 6, 2003

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 authorised.

CENTERPULSE LTD.

By: /s/ David S. Wise

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Authorized Representative

Date: August 8, 2003

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Exhibit Description

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