PANERA BREAD CO
Form 8-K
February 25, 2003

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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 25, 2003

PANERA BREAD COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	**000-19253** (Commission File Number)	**04-2723701** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6710 Clayton Road **Richmond Heights, MO** (Address of principal executive offices)	**63117** (Zip Code)

314-633-7100
(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

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SIGNATURE
EX-99.1 Press Release dated February 25, 2003

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Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the following information shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Panera Bread Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise this information. Attached as Exhibit 99.1, and incorporated herein by reference, is a copy of the registrant s press release dated February 25, 2003, announcing their fourth quarter and full year 2002 earnings.

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.

PANERA BREAD COMPANY

By: /s/ William W. Moreton

Name: William W. Moreton
Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 25, 2003

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
99.1	Panera Press Release, dated February 25, 2003, regarding fourth quarter and full year 2002 earnings.