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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 5, 2004

FIRST DATA CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-11073

(Commission File Number)

47-0731996

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

80111

6200 South Quebec Street, Greenwood Village, Colorado

O (Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (303) 488-8000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Item 5. Other Events.

On February 5, 2004, Western Union Financial Services, Inc., a subsidiary of First Data Corporation, issued a press release confirming the receipt of a Civil Investigative Demand from the United States Department of Justice. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits.

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Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press release issued by the First Data Corporation on February 5, 2004.

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.

FIRST DATA CORPORATION

By: /s/ STANLEY J. ANDERSEN

Stanley J. Andersen Assistant Secretary

Date: February 6, 2004

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