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August 16, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549  
FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of July 2004  
Commission File Number: 001-06439

SONY CORPORATION  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

7-35 KITASHINAGAWA 6-CHOME, SHINAGAWA-KU, TOKYO, JAPAN  
(Address of principal executive offices)

The registrant files annual reports under cover of Form 20-F.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports  
under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F,

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

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, thereunto duly authorized.

SONY CORPORATION

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(Registrant)

By: /s/ Katsumi Ihara

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(Signature)

Katsumi Ihara  
Executive Deputy President, Group Chief  
Strategy Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 16, 2004

List of materials

Documents attached hereto:

- i) A press release announcing that So-net M3 Inc. has received approval to list on the Tokyo Stock Exchange Mothers Market and that Sony Communication Network Corporation will conduct a secondary offer of So-net M3 shares.