

SMITHFIELD FOODS INC  
Form 8-K  
August 13, 2003

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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): August 13, 2003**

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**SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Virginia  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-15321  
(Commission  
File Number)

52-0845861  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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200 Commerce Street

Smithfield, Virginia 23430

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 365-3000

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ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

**Exhibit**

**Number**

**Description**

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99.1	Press release, dated as of August 13, 2003, announcing that the Registrant has agreed to acquire a 90% interest in Cumberland Gap Provision Company.
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ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURES

Smithfield Foods, Inc. (the Registrant ) hereby furnishes this report pursuant to Item 9 of Form 8-K:

On August 13, 2003, the Registrant issued a press release announcing that the Registrant has agreed to acquire a 90% interest in Cumberland Gap Provision Company. The information contained in the press release, which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, is incorporated herein by reference.

