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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): July 23, 2003

KADANT INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-11406 52-1762325 (State or Other (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

One Acton Place
Acton, Massachusetts

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(978) 776-2000
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

KADANT INC.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure (Information Furnished Pursuant to Item 12.
 "Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition")

On July 23, 2003, Kadant Inc. ("the Company") announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 28, 2003. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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In accordance with the procedural guidance in SEC Release No. 33-8216, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K and Exhibit 99 attached hereto is being furnished under "Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure" rather than under "Item 12. Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition." The information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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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.

KADANT INC.

Date: July 23, 2003 By: /s/ Thomas M. O'Brien

Thomas M. O'Brien
Executive Vice President,

Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

No. Description of Exhibit

99 Press Release dated July 23, 2003: Kadant Announces 2003 Second Quarter Results