3COM CORP Form 8-K September 16, 2004

UNITED STATES 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):

September 16, 2004

3COM CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-12867 (Commission File Number)

94-2605794 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

350 Campus Drive
Marlborough, Massachusetts
01752
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)
(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (508) 323-5000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

0	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
o 240.1	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 4d-2(b))
0	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
0	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

ITEM 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On September 16, 2004, 3Com Corporation issued a press release regarding its financial results for its fiscal quarter ended August 27, 2004. The full text of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

(c) Exhibits The following exhibit is filed herewith: 99.1 Text of Press Release, dated September 16, 2004, titled 3Com Reports Fiscal Q1 Results.

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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.

3COM CORPORATION

Date: September 16, 2004 By: /s/ Donald M. Halsted, III

Donald M. Halsted, III

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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