

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO  
Form 8-K  
December 13, 2004

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of**  
**The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 13, 2004**

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**MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Pennsylvania**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

121 Gamma Drive

**1-15579**  
(Commission File Number)

**25-0668780**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

15238

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**RIDC Industrial Park**

**O Hara Township**

**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (412) 967-3000**

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act
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**Introductory Note**

The Company is filing this Form 8-K Current Report to incorporate by reference the financial statements referred to below so that they may in turn be incorporated by reference in a Form S-8 Registration Statement to be filed relating to the Company's Retirement Savings Plan.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed or furnished herewith:

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| 23.1                      | Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  |
| 99.1                      | The following financial statements are incorporated herein by reference to pages F-1 through F-24 of the Company's definitive Prospectus contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-114533:<br><br>Report of independent registered public accounting firm<br><br>Consolidated statements of income for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001<br><br>Consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2003 and 2002<br><br>Consolidated statements of cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001<br><br>Consolidated statement of changes in retained earnings and accumulated and other comprehensive income<br><br>Notes to consolidated financial statements |



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