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: April 19, 2004

(Date of earliest event reported)

POTLATCH CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-5313 (Commission 82-0156045 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification Number)

601 W. Riverside Avenue, Suite 1100, Spokane WA, (Address of principal executive offices)

99201 (Zip Code)

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509-835-1500

(Registrant s telephone number,

including area code)

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

c. Exhibits

99.1 Potlatch reports first quarter earnings

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1	934, the Registrant has du	lly caused this report to be sign	ed on its behalf by the
undersigned hereunto duly authorized.			

Dated: April 20, 2004

POTLATCH CORPORATION

By: /s/ Malcolm A. Ryerse

Malcolm A. Ryerse Corporate Secretary