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): July 29, 2003

ENGELHARD CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u>
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-8142 (Commission File Number)

<u>22-1586002</u> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

101 Wood Avenue, Iselin, New Jersey

(Address of principal executive offices)

08830 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (732) 205-5000

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 29, 2003, Engelhard Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its earnings for its second quarter of fiscal year 2003. A copy of the release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The information furnished under this Item 12, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

		ENGELHARD CORPORATION
		(Registrant)
D .	July 29, 2003	/s/ Michael A. Sperduto
Date:		Michael A. Sperduto Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.

Description

99.1

Press Release, dated July 29, 2003, relating to Engelhard Corporation's earnings release for the second quarter of 2003.

EXHIBIT (99.1)

News

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For immediate release

ENGELHARD SECOND-QUARTER RESULTS IN LINE WITH EXPECTATIONS

ISELIN, NJ, July 29, 2003 - Engelhard Corporation (NYSE: EC) today reported net earnings for the second quarter ended June 30 of \$54.0 million, or 43 cents per share on a diluted basis, compared with \$60.1 million, or 46 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

The current quarter included an after-tax charge of four cents per share related to a previously projected provision for the remaining lease cost of certain minerals-storage facilities no longer needed because of productivity initiatives. The prior year's quarter included an after-tax benefit of five cents per share stemming from insurance settlements and two charges amounting to four cents per share related to costs associated with manufacturing consolidations and the write down of an investment.

Second quarter sales were \$929 million compared with \$982 million a year ago reflecting continued lower volumes and prices of platinum group metals, which are passed through to customers.

"Market acceptance of new technology growth platforms coupled with our company-wide focus on productivity

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enabled us to post another quarter of solid operating results without the benefit of significant economic recovery," said Barry W. Perry, chairman and chief executive officer.

Mr. Perry said he still expects the company to post modest earnings growth this year supported by the growth platforms and productivity focus, plus benefits from strong cash flow.

"We continue to be encouraged by the results our strategic focus has delivered in overcoming the harsh realities of today's marketplace," Mr. Perry said.

Second-Quarter Operating Results

Operating earnings from Environmental Technologies increased 13% to \$31.5 million including the impact of a \$3.1 million charge in the year-ago quarter. Sales rose 23% to \$209 million. Excluding the charge, earnings increased 1% reflecting solid demand from mobile environmental markets. Higher pass-through cost of substrates sold to those markets plus the favorable effects of foreign exchange accounted for more than three-quarters of the sales increase.

Operating earnings from Process Technologies rose 7% to \$24.6 million, while sales rose 3% to \$140 million. Strong volumes of new petroleum refining catalyst and performance-enhancing additive technologies, plus solid results from polyolefin catalysts, more than offset the impact of higher energy costs.

Operating earnings from Appearance and Performance Technologies, including the impact of the current-quarter charge of \$7.8 million, decreased 25% to \$18.6 million. Sales rose 3% to \$175 million. Excluding the charge, earnings increased 7% resulting from higher demand for colors and special effects. The latter benefited from strong market acceptance of new effect technologies. Combined with productivity efforts, these favorable results more than offset higher energy costs and weakness in certain performance minerals markets.

Operating earnings from Materials Services declined 89% to \$3.0 million compared with the year-ago quarter which included an \$11.0 million gain from an insurance settlement. Sales were off 20% to \$394 million. Reduced industrial demand for platinum group metals and lower results from recycling services continue to impact the segment.

Engelhard Corporation is a surface and materials science company that develops technologies to improve customers' products and processes. A Fortune 500 company, Engelhard is a world-leading provider of technologies for environmental, process, appearance and performance applications. For more information, visit Engelhard on the Internet at www.engelhard.com.

Forward-looking statements: This document contains forward-looking statements in management's comments. There are a number of factors that could cause Engelhard's actual results to vary materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. For a more thorough discussion of these factors, please refer to page 26 of Engelhard's 2002 Form 10-K, dated March 25, 2003.

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ENGELHARD CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2003		2002	2003		2002	
Net sales Cost of sales	\$ 929,358 766,461	\$	982,314 805,158	\$ 1,759,797 1,447,339	\$	1,984,135 1,646,287	
Gross profit Selling, administrative and other expenses Special charge/(credit), net	162,897 88,400 7,802		177,156 95,800 (7,862)	312,458 180,569 (11,978)		337,848 183,411 (7,862)	
Operating earnings Equity in earnings of affiliates Loss on investments Interest expense, net	66,695 7,539 - (4,753)		89,218 4,408 (6,659) (6,868)	143,867 13,177 (10,310)		162,299 8,070 (6,659) (13,788)	
Earnings before income taxes Income tax expense	69,481 15,447		80,099 20,024	 146,734 33,764		149,922 37,480	
Net earnings before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of tax Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of tax of \$1,390	54,034		60,075	112,970 (2,269)		112,442	
Net earnings	\$ 54,034	\$	60,075	\$ 110,701	\$	112,442	
Earnings per share - basic: Earnings before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of tax	\$ 0.43	\$	0.47	\$ 0.90 (0.02)	\$	0.87	
Earnings per share - basic	\$ 0.43	\$	0.47	\$ 0.88	\$	0.87	
Earnings per share - diluted: Earnings before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of tax	\$ 0.43	\$	0.46	\$ 0.89 (0.02)	\$	0.85	
Earnings per share - diluted	\$ 0.43	\$	0.46	\$ 0.87	\$	0.85	
Cash dividends paid per share	\$ 0.10	\$	0.10	\$ 0.20	\$	0.20	
Average number of shares outstanding - basic	125,261		128,707	126,067		128,750	
Average number of shares outstanding - diluted	127,078		131,673	 127,566		131,544	
Actual number of shares outstanding at end of period	125,296		129,180	 125,296		129,180	

ENGELHARD CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Thousands, exce

Had compensation cost for Engelhard's stock option plans been determined based on the fair value at grant date consistent with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," as amended by SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure," (assuming SFAS No. 123 was adopted on its effective date of October 1995), Engelhard would have reported net earnings and diluted earnings per share as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,					Six Months Ended June 30,			
Pro forma information (in millions, except per share data)		2003		2002		2003		2002	
Net earnings - as reported	\$	54.0	\$	60.1	\$	110.7	\$	112.4	
Net earnings - pro forma		52.6		58.5		107.9		109.3	
Diluted earnings per share - as reported		0.43		0.46		0.87		0.85	
Diluted earnings per share - pro forma		0.41		0.44		0.85		0.83	

ENGELHARD CORPORATION BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION (Thousands) (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended

Six Months Ended

		June 30,			_		June 30,						
		2003			2002		Change		2003		2002	_	Change
Net Sales Environmental Technologies	\$	209,153		\$	170,564		23%	\$	422,693	- \$	335,005		26%
Process Technologies Appearance and Performance Technologies	Φ	139,833 175,190		Ф	136,407 170,632		3% 3% 3%	.	258,353 334,386		251,852 323,002		3% 4%
Technology segments Materials Services All other		524,176 394,485 10,697			477,603 495,564 9,147		10% -20% 17%		1,015,432 723,442 20,923		909,859 1,056,293 17,983		12% -32% 16%
Total net sales	\$	929,358		\$	982,314		-5%	\$	1,759,797	\$	1,984,135		-11%
Operating Earnings Environmental Technologies Process Technologies Appearance and Performance Technologies	\$	31,489 24,571 18,613	(A)	\$	27,983 22,972 24,720	(B)	13% 7% -25%	\$	56,066 38,091 37,196	(D) \$ (E) (A)	67,644 40,041 39,851	(B)	-17% -5% -7%
Technology segments Materials Services All other		74,673 3,031 (11,009)			75,675 27,245 (13,702)	(C)	-1% -89% 20%		131,353 7,484 5,030	(F)	147,536 37,423 (22,660)	(C)	-11% -80% 122%
Total operating earnings Equity in earnings of affiliates Loss on investments Interest expense, net		66,695 7,539 (4,753)			89,218 4,408 (6,659) (6,868)		-25% 71% - -31%		143,867 13,177 (10,310)		162,299 8,070 (6,659) (13,788)		-11% 63% - -25%
Earnings before income taxes Income tax expense		69,481 15,447			80,099 20,024		-13% -23%		146,734 33,764		149,922 37,480		-2% -10%
Net earnings before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of tax Cumulative effect of a change in accounting		54,034			60,075		-10%		112,970		112,442		-
principle, net of tax of \$1,390		-			-		-		(2,269)		-		-
Net earnings	\$	54,034		\$	60,075		-10%	\$	110,701	\$	112,442		-2%

⁽A) - Includes a charge of \$7.8 million (\$4.8 million after tax or \$0.04 per share) in 2003 related to lease commitments for idle facilities.

- (B) Includes a restructuring charge of \$3.1 million (\$1.9 million after tax or \$0.01 per share) in 2002.
- (C) Includes an insurance settlement gain of \$11.0 million (\$6.8 million after tax or \$0.05 per share) in 2002.
- (D) Includes a restructuring charge of \$5.3 million (\$3.5 million after tax or \$0.03 per share) in 2003.
- (E) Includes a restructuring charge of \$2.6 million (\$1.6 million after tax or \$0.01 per share) in 2003.
- (F) Includes a royalty settlement gain of \$28.4 million (\$17.6 million after tax or \$0.14 per share) and a Corporate restructuring charge of \$0.8 million (\$0.5 million after tax or less than \$0.01 per share) in 2003.

Note: All of the above per-share amounts are presented as diluted earnings per share.

ENGELHARD CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Thousands) (Unaudited)

		June 30, 2003	December 31, 2002
Cash	\$	95,979	\$ 48,246
Receivables, net		346,687	380,270
Committed metal positions		328,565	615,441
Inventories		439,407	427,162
Other current assets		88,927	 94,922
Total current assets		1,299,565	1,566,041
Investments		137,413	136,804
Property, plant and equipment, net		855,347	860,475
Goodwill		272,685	272,353
Other intangible and noncurrent		191,426	185,041
assets	_		
Total assets	\$	2,756,436	\$ 3,020,714
Short-term borrowings	\$	130,114	\$ 348,749
Accounts payable		210,257	225,045
Hedged metal obligations		304,064	537,243
Other current liabilities		268,548	275,250
Total current liabilities		912,983	 1,386,287
Long-term debt		398,969	247,805
Other noncurrent liabilities		309,637	309,455
Shareholders' equity		1,134,847	1,077,167
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	2,756,436	\$ 3,020,714

ENGELHARD CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Thousands) (Unaudited)

Six Months Ended June 30,

2003	2002		
\$ 110,701	\$ 112,442		
61,775	52,632		
1,649	1,515		
-	6,659		
(4,200)	(4,317)		
267,789	7,706		
880	(6,449)		
438,594	170,188		
(39,934)	(46,196)		
7,063	-		
	(2,400)		
(32,871)	(48,596)		
(218,563)	(20,008)		
(209,601)	(11,708)		
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	June 30.

Repayment of long-term debt	(184)	(153)					
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	147,842	-					
Purchase of treasury stock	(74,714)	(90,545)					
Cash from exercise of stock options Dividends paid	11,011 (25,280)	45,335 (25,914)					
Net cash used in financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(369,489) 11,499	(102,993) 5,382					
Net increase in cash Cash at beginning of year	47,733 48,246	23,981 33,034					
Cash at end of period	\$ 95,979	\$ 57,015					