# 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): November 12, 2002 CABOT CORPORATION \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) DELAWARE 1-5667 04-2271897 DELAWARE 1-3001 (IRS Employer (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of incorporation) Identification No.) TWO SEAPORT LANE, SUITE 1300, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02210-2019 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (617) 345-0100 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

#### Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

#### (c) Exhibits

- 99.1 The Registrant's unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2002 and 2001.
- 99.2 The Registrant's unaudited Consolidated Statements of Income for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2002 and 2001.
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#### Item 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The Registrant has furnished herewith its unaudited consolidated balance sheets at September 30, 2002 and 2001, its unaudited consolidated statements of income for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 and its unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2002 and 2001.

#### SIGNATURES

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.

CABOT CORPORATION Registrant

Date: November 12, 2002

By: /s/ John A. Shaw

John A. Shaw

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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### CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

September 30	2002	2001
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)		
Assets		
Current assets:  Cash and cash equivalents  Accounts and notes receivable, net of reserve	\$ 159	\$ 364
for doubtful accounts of \$4 and \$4  Inventories	304 435	267 285
Prepaid expenses and other current assets Deferred income taxes	41 20	33 19
Total current assets	959	968
Investments:		
Equity Other	48 32	76 29
Total investments	80 	105
Property, plant and equipment Accumulated depreciation and amortization	2,019 (1,134)	1,856 (1,049)
Net property, plant and equipment	885	807
Other assets:		
Goodwill Intangible assets, net of accumulated	105	19
amortization of \$5 and \$4 Deferred income taxes	8 4	2 2
Other assets	26 	16 
Total other assets	143	39
Total assets	\$ 2,067 =====	\$ 1,919 ======

September 30		2001
Dollars in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities: Notes payable to banks Current portion of long-term debt Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred income taxes	\$ 40 5 238 3	\$ 13 30 243 5
Total current liabilities	286	291
Long-term debt Deferred income taxes Other liabilities	495 104 170	419 94 138
Commitments and contingencies		
Minority interest	35	27
Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock: Authorized: 2,000,000 shares of \$1 par value Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock Issued and outstanding: none Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock 7.75% Cumulative Issued: 75,336 shares, outstanding: 56,274 and 59,148 shares (aggregate redemption value of \$56 and \$59) Less cost of shares of preferred treasury stock	75 (40)	75 (33)
Common stock:	(10)	()
Authorized: 200,000,000 shares of \$1 par value	62 (6) 5 1,120 (38) (51) (23) (127)	63  9 1,078 (40) (54) (23) (125)
Total stockholders' equity	977	950
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$2,067 =====	\$1,919 =====

CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

Years ended September 30 In millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)	2002	2001
Net sales and other operating revenues	\$1,557 1,128	\$1,670 1,237
Gross profit	\$ 429 =====	\$ 433 ======
Selling and administrative expenses	219 48 14	208 48 22
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 148	\$ 155
OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE		
Interest and dividend income Interest expense Special charges (income) Other charges (income)	(9) 28 3 (8)	(28) 32 (1) 2
Total other income and expense	14	5
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	134	150
Provision for income taxes	(30) 5 (4)	(42) 20 (7)
NET INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	105	121
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS:		
Income from operations of discontinued business, net of income taxes	1	3
NET INCOME	106 (3)	124 (3)
NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO COMMON SHARES	\$ 103 =====	\$ 121 ======

### DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK

Continuing Operations	\$ 1.48	\$ 1.62
Income from Operations of Discontinued Business Gain on Sale of Business	0.02	 0.04
Net Income	\$ 1.50 =====	\$ 1.66 =====
WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING		
Diluted	71	74

## CABOT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Years ended September 30		2001
Dollars in millions (unaudited)		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Net income	\$ 106	\$ 124
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	109	115
Deferred tax expense (benefit)	(4)	6
Equity in net income of affiliated companies	(5)	(20)
Asset impairment charges and non-cash special items Gain on sale of business, net of income taxes	16 	14 (3)
Non-cash compensation	22	22
Other non-cash charges, net	6	23
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effect of the		
consolidation of equity affiliates: Decrease (increase) in accounts and notes receivable	(1)	13
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(64)	(55)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(4)	(35)
Decrease in income taxes payable	(1)	(175)
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities	14	(6)
Other, net	(2)	6
Cash provided by operating activities	192	29
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(146)	(122)
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	2	4
Purchases of equity securities	(9)	(5)
Acquisition of affiliate, net of cash acquired Purchases of investments, excluding cash acquired	(89)	 (6)
Proceeds from sale of business		(6) 5
Cash from consolidation of equity affiliates	10	
	(000)	(404)
Cash used in investing activities	(232)	(124) 
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		100
Proceeds from long-term debt Repayments of long-term debt	 (28)	129 (63)
Decrease in short-term debt, net	(27)	(7)
Purchases of preferred and common stock	(82)	(229)
Sales and issuances of preferred and common stock	6	13
Cash dividends paid to stockholders	(35)	(34)
Cash dividends paid to minority interest stockholders Employee loan repayments	(5) 7	(3) 15
Employee Idan repayments		15
Cash used in financing activities	(164)	(179)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(1)	
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(205)	(274)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	364	638
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 159 =====	\$ 364 =====