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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SCP POOL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

109 Northpark Blvd. Covington, Louisiana 70433-5001 **36-3943363** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

(985) 892-5521

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Jennifer M. Neil General Counsel SCP Pool Corporation 109 Northpark Blvd. Covington, Louisiana 70433-5001 (985) 892-5521

(Names, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC:

From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. []

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. [X]

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box. []

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered ⁽¹⁾	Amount to be registered	Proposed maximum offering price per unit ⁽¹⁾	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price ⁽¹⁾	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock	98,646	\$39.08	\$3,855,086	\$488

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, based on the average of the high and low prices of the registrant s common stock on the Nasdaq National Market on April 8, 2004.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED APRIL 13, 2004

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling stockholders may not sell these securities until the Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Prospectus

SCP Pool Corporation

Common Stock

The selling stockholder, CHS Management Limited Partnership, which beneficially owns less than one percent of our outstanding common stock, may offer and sell up to 98,646 shares of our common stock under this prospectus. For more information on the methods of sale, you should refer to the section of this prospectus entitled Plan of Distribution.

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol POOL. On April 8, 2004, the last reported sales price of our common stock was \$38.67 per share.

See Risk Factors beginning on page 6 for information that you should consider before investing in the securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is _____, 2004.

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You should rely only on information incorporated by reference or provided in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information. Neither we nor the selling stockholders are making an offer of these securities in any state where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is

accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of those documents.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You can inspect and copy that information at the public reference rooms of the SEC at its offices located at 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20549, and at its regional offices located at 233 Broadway, New York, New York 10279 and 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. You can call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for more information about the public reference rooms. The SEC also maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants, like us, that file reports with the SEC electronically. The SEC s Internet address is http://www.sec.gov.

We maintain an Internet site at http://www.scppool.com that contains information about our business. The information contained at our Internet site is not part of this prospectus.

We have filed a registration statement and related exhibits with the SEC to register the securities offered by this prospectus. The registration statement contains additional information about us and our securities. You may inspect the registration statement and exhibits without charge at the SEC s public reference rooms, and you may obtain copies from the SEC at prescribed rates.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with it, which means:

- incorporated documents are considered part of the prospectus;
- we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents; and
- information that we file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this incorporated information.

We incorporate by reference the following documents that we have filed with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

- Our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 (filed March 1, 2004);
- Our current report on Form 8-K filed February 19, 2004;
- Our definitive proxy statement filed March 26, 2004;
- All documents filed by us with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act after the date

of this prospectus and prior to the termination of this offering.

At your request, we will provide you with a free copy of any of these filings (except for exhibits, unless the exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the filing). You may request copies by writing or telephoning us at:

SCP Pool Corporation

109 Northpark Boulevard

Covington, Louisiana 70433-5001

Attn: Investor Relations

985-892-5521

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NOTICE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements in this prospectus and in some of the documents that we incorporate by reference in this prospectus are forward-looking statements about our expectations of what may happen in the future. Statements that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on the beliefs and assumptions of our management and on information currently available to us. Forward-looking statements can sometimes be identified by our use of forward-looking words like anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, intend, may, expressions.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. They involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Our future results and stockholder value may differ significantly from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus and in the information incorporated in this prospectus. Many of the factors that will determine these results and values are beyond our ability to control or predict. We caution you that a number of important factors could cause actual results to be very different from and worse than our expectations expressed in or implied by any forward-looking statement. These factors include, but are not limited to, those discussed in Risk Factors beginning on page 6.

Our management believes these forward-looking statements are reasonable. However, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are based only on our current expectations. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to publicly update any of them in light of new information or future events.

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THE COMPANY

SCP Pool Corporation (the *Company*, which may be referred to as *POOL*, *we*, *us* or *our*) was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware in 1993 under the name SCP Holding Corp, and in 1995 changed its name to SCP Pool Corporation. POOL, through its subsidiaries, is the world s largest wholesale distributor of swimming pool supplies, equipment and related leisure products. As such, POOL adds considerable value to the swimming pool supply chain by purchasing products from a large number of manufacturers and then distributing the products to a highly fragmented customer base on conditions that are more favorable than these customers could obtain on their own.

We have grown internally through increases in base business sales of 11% in 2003, 10% in 2002 and 3% in 2001. Additionally, since 1999, we have opened 31 new service centers, and expect to continue to open five to ten new service centers each year. Externally, since 1999, we have grown through the successful completion of 15 acquisitions, consisting of 77 service centers (net of service center closings and consolidations).

As of February 13, 2004, we conducted our operations through 198 service centers in North America and Europe. Our primary markets are California, Florida, Texas and Arizona, representing approximately 51% of our net sales.

We operate two national distribution networks: the SCP Distributors network (SCP) and the Superior Pool Products network (SPP). The SCP network consists of 141 service centers and the SPP network consists of 57 service

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centers.

We offer more than 91,000 national brand and private label products. We believe that our selection of pool equipment and supplies, chemicals, replacement parts and complementary products is the most comprehensive in the swimming pool industry

We serve nearly 48,000 customers, none of which account for more than 1% of our sales. We primarily serve three types of customers:

- swimming pool remodelers and builders;
- retail swimming pool stores; and
- swimming pool repair and service companies.

SCP Pool Corporation is a Delaware corporation, and the mailing address of our executive offices is 109 Northpark Boulevard, Covington, Louisiana 70433-5001. Our telephone number is (985) 892-5521.

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RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves significant risks. You should carefully consider the following risk factors before you decide to buy any of our securities. You should also carefully read and consider all of the information we have included, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus before you decide to buy any of our securities.

We are susceptible to adverse weather conditions.

Weather is the principal external factor affecting our business. For example, unseasonably late warming trends can decrease the length of the pool season and unseasonably cool weather or extraordinary rainfall during the peak season can decrease swimming pool use, installation and maintenance.

Our business is highly seasonal.

In 2003, approximately 66% of our net sales were generated in the second and third quarters of the year, which represent the peak months of swimming pool use, installation, remodeling and repair, and 100% of our operating income was generated in the same period. Our sales are substantially lower during the first and fourth quarters of the year, when we may incur net losses.

Our industry is highly competitive.

We face competition from both outside our industry with sellers of other leisure product alternatives, such as boats and motor homes, and from within our industry with various regional and local distributors, several companies that distribute swimming pool supplies on a national basis and, to a lesser extent, mass market retailers and large pool supply retailers. New competitors may emerge as there are low barriers to entry in our industry. Our largest geographic markets that we service, such as California, Texas and Florida, also tend to be more competitive than others.

Our business depends on favorable general economic conditions.

Our industry is somewhat dependent upon overall economic and market conditions. For example, in economic downturns, the demand for swimming pool or leisure related products may decline as discretionary consumer spending, new housing construction and swimming pool construction decline.

The nature of our business subjects us to compliance with Environmental, Health, Transportation and Safety Regulations.

We are subject to regulation under federal, state and local environmental, health, transportation and safety requirements, which govern such things as packaging, labeling, handling, transportation, storage and sale of pool chemicals and other products. Failure to comply with these laws and regulations may result in the assessment of administrative, civil, and criminal penalties or the imposition of injunctive relief. Moreover, compliance with such laws and regulations in the future could prove to be costly, and there can be no assurance that we will not incur such costs in material amounts. These laws and regulations have changed substantially and rapidly over the last 20 years, and we anticipate that there will be continuing changes. The clear trend in environmental, health, transportation and safety regulation is to place more restrictions and limitations on activities that impact the environment, such as the use and handling of chemical substances, and protect the health and safety of individuals. Increasingly, strict restrictions and limitations have resulted in increased operating costs for us and other businesses throughout the United States, and it is possible that the costs of compliance with such laws and regulations will continue to increase. We will attempt to anticipate future regulatory requirements that might be imposed and to plan accordingly in order to remain in compliance with changing regulations and to minimize the costs of such compliance.

Our business involves fire, safety and casualty risks.

We store chemicals at our service centers and central stocking locations, including certain combustible, oxidizing compounds. A fire, explosion or flood affecting one of our facilities could give rise to fire, safety and casualty losses and related liability claims. We maintain what we believe is prudent insurance protection.

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However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to maintain adequate insurance in the future at rates we consider reasonable or that our insurance coverage will be adequate to cover future claims that may arise. Successful claims for which we are not fully insured may adversely affect our working capital and profitability. In addition, changes in the insurance industry have generally led to higher insurance costs and decreased availability of coverage.

We are vulnerable to the potential difficulties associated with rapid growth.

We have experienced substantial growth in recent years through acquisitions and the opening of new locations that have increased our size, scope and geographic distribution. While we contemplate continued growth through acquisitions and internal expansion, no assurance can be made as to our ability to:

- penetrate new markets;
- identify appropriate acquisition candidates;
- complete acquisitions on satisfactory terms and successfully integrate acquired businesses;
- obtain financing;
- generate sufficient cash flows to support expansion plans and general operating activities;

- maintain favorable supplier arrangements and relationships; and
- identify and divest assets which do not continue to create value consistent with our objectives.

If we do not manage these potential difficulties successfully, our operating results could be adversely affected.

As we expand our international operations, we will be subject to additional political, economic and other uncertainties.

During 2003, international sales accounted for approximately 5% of our total net sales. We anticipate that future international sales will increase and may account for a more significant percentage of our sales. Risks associated with our international operations include:

- political and economic instability;
- export controls;
- foreign government tax policies and regulatory requirements;
- United States and foreign government policy changes;
- convertibility and transferability of international currencies; and
- restrictions on the movement of funds or goods.

Our operations have not yet been affected by such conditions or events, but as our international operations expand, the exposure to these risks will increase.

We depend on key personnel.

Our future success depends to a significant extent upon the continued service of our executive officers and other key management and personnel, and on our ability to continue to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel. The loss of one or more of our key employees or our failure to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business.

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We depend on favorable supplier relationships.

We presently purchase product from over 1,200 manufacturers. Our inability to maintain favorable supplier arrangements and relationships could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our industry depends on effective marketing programs.

Our inability to sufficiently develop effective advertising, marketing and promotional programs to succeed in a weakened national economy and an increasingly competitive marketplace in which we also compete with other luxury product alternatives, could have a material adverse effect on our business. In addition, changes in public and consumer tastes could also have an effect on our business.

A terrorist attack or the threat of a terrorist attack could have a material adverse effect on our business.

The terrorist attacks that took place on September 11, 2001, in the U.S. were unprecedented events that have

created many economic and political uncertainties, some of which may materially impact our business. The potential for future terrorist attacks, the national and international responses to terrorist attacks, and other acts of war or hostility have created many economic and political uncertainties, which could adversely affect our business for the short or long-term in ways that cannot presently be predicted.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive proceeds from any sale of common stock by the selling stockholder.

SELLING STOCKHOLDER

We are registering the sale of 98,646 shares of common stock on behalf of the selling stockholder. The following table sets forth the number and percentage of our shares of common stock owned by the selling stockholder, and the number and percentage of our shares of common stock that will be owned assuming the sale of all the shares offered hereby:

				Number of	
	Number of			Shares of	Percentage of
	Shares of	Percentage of	Number of	Common Stoc	k Common Stock
	Common Stock Common Stock Shares of		Beneficially	Beneficially	
	Beneficially	Beneficially	Common Stoc	kOwned After	Owned
Name of Selling	Owned ⁽¹⁾	Owned	to be Sold	Offering ⁽²⁾	After Offering
Stockholder					(2)
CHS Management					
Limited Partenership ⁽³⁾	103,764	*	98,646	5,118	*

*Less than one percent.

- (1) Includes 92,980 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of presently exercisable options, and 5,666 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of options exercisable on May 10, 2005.
- (2) Assumes the sale of all 98,646 shares offered hereby.
- (3) CHS Management Limited Partnership (CHS Management) is a Delaware limited partnership. Andrew W. Code is a general partner CHS Management and has been one of our directors since 1993. As of April 1, 2004, Mr. Code is the beneficial owner of 266,404 shares of common stock, including (i) the 5,118 shares, and 92,980 shares that may be acquired upon the exercise of presently exercisable options, held by CHS Management, (ii) 21,204 shares that Mr. Code has the right to acquire upon the exercise of presently exercisable options, (iii) 40,548 shares held directly by a charitable foundation of which Mr. Code is a director, President and the sole member (although neither Mr. Code nor any member of his immediate family has any pecuniary interest in such shares), and (iv) 4,554 shares held by Mr. Code as custodian for his minor children under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act.

The selling stockholder originally acquired its shares in connection with transfers by Mr. Code and Mr. Peter Gotsch (a former director of the Company) of options issued to them pursuant to our 1996 Non-Employee Directors

Equity Incentive Plan. CHS Management paid no consideration to either Mr. Code or Mr. Gotsch for the transfer of such options.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering for resale 98,646 shares of our common stock on behalf of CHS Management Limited Partnership, and its transferees or other successors in interest that receive the shares as a partnership distribution or other non-sale related transfer from them. Such transferees together with the foregoing named partnership are referred to in this prospectus as the selling stockholders. We will receive no proceeds from the sale of common stock by the selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders may offer and sell shares of common stock from time to time as follows (if at all):

- to or through underwriters, brokers or dealers;
- directly to one or more other purchasers;
- through agents on a best-efforts basis; or
- otherwise through a combination of any of these methods of sale.

If a selling stockholder sells shares of common stock through underwriters, dealers, brokers or agents, those underwriters, dealers, brokers or agents may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholder and/or the purchasers of the shares of common stock.

The shares of common stock may be offered and sold from time to time in one or more transactions:

- at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;
- at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;
- at prices related to prevailing market prices;
- at varying prices determined at the time of sale; or
- at negotiated prices.

These offers and sales may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions:

- on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which our common stock may be listed or quoted at the time of sale;
- in the over-the-counter market;
- in block transactions in which the broker or dealer so engaged will attempt to sell the shares of common stock as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction, or in crosses, in which the same broker acts as an agent on both sides of the trade;
- in transactions otherwise than on exchanges or services or in the over-the-counter market;
- through the writing of options;
- through privately negotiated transactions; or
- through other types of transactions.

In connection with sales of common stock or otherwise, and subject to applicable restrictions under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, referred to in this prospectus as the Exchange Act, including Regulation M thereunder, the selling stockholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or others, who may in turn engage in short sales of the common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling

stockholders also may transfer shares of common stock in other circumstances in which case the transferees or other successors in interest will be the selling stockholders for purposes of this prospectus. The selling stockholders may sell short the common stock in connection with establishing put-equivalent positions permitted under Section 16(c) of the Exchange Act, and may deliver this prospectus in connection with short sales and use the shares of common stock covered by the prospectus to cover these short sales. In addition, any shares of common stock covered by this prospectus that qualify for sale pursuant to Rule 144 or any other available exemption from registration under the Securities Act may be sold under Rule 144 or another available exemption.

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The selling stockholders have advised us that they expect to sell all of the shares registered hereby in the open market through licensed brokers-dealers upon the payment of standard commissions. We will distribute a prospectus supplement if any other method of distribution is used. Any such prospectus supplement, if required, will set forth the aggregate amount of shares of common stock being offered and the terms of the offering, including the name or names of any underwriters, dealers, brokers or agents, if any, and any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallowed to be paid to brokers or dealers.

The selling stockholders and any other person participating in a distribution of the shares of common stock will be subject to applicable provisions of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations under the Exchange Act, including, without limitation, Regulation M which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of shares of common stock by the selling stockholders and any other person participating in the distribution. Furthermore, Regulation M under the Exchange Act may restrict the ability of any person engaged in a distribution of the shares of common stock to engage in market-making activities with respect to the shares of common stock being distributed for a period of up to five business days prior to the commencement of the distribution. All of the foregoing may affect the marketability of the shares of common stock and the ability of any person or entity to engage in market-making activities with respect to the shares of common stock.

All expenses incurred in connection with the registration of the shares, including printer s and accounting fees and the fees, disbursements and expenses of our counsel will be borne by us. Commissions, brokerage fees and discounts, if any, attributable to the sales of the shares of common stock by the selling stockholders will be borne by the selling stockholders. The selling stockholders may agree to indemnify any broker-dealer or agent that participates in transactions involving sales of the shares of common stock against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act. We and the selling stockholders may be indemnified by the other against liabilities under the Securities Act.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Jones, Walker, Waechter, Poitevent, Carrère & Denègre, L.L.P., New Orleans, Louisiana.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements and schedule of SCP Pool Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2003, have been incorporated by reference in this registration statement in reliance upon the report of Ernst & Young LLP, independent accountants, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

EXPERTS

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The fees and expenses payable by us in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities of SCP Pool Corporation (the Company) registered hereunder are as follows:

Securities and Exchange Commission	
registration fee	\$ 488
*Legal fees and expenses	5,000
*Accounting fees and expenses	5,000
*Blue Sky fees and expenses	-0-
*Printing	1,000
*Miscellaneous	1,512
Total	\$ 13,000

* Estimated.

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Company s Certificate of Incorporation (the Certificate) contains provisions eliminating the personal liability of the directors to the Company and its stockholders for monetary damages for breaches of their fiduciary duties as directors to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. By virtue of these provisions, under current Delaware law a director of the Company will not be personally liable for monetary damages for a breach of his or her fiduciary duty except for liability for (a) a breach of his or her duty of loyalty to the Company or to its stockholders, (b) acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (c) dividends or stock repurchases or redemptions that are unlawful under Delaware law and (d) any transaction from which he or she receives an improper personal benefit. In addition, the Certificate provides that if Delaware law is amended to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of a director, then the liability of the directors shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, as amended. These provisions pertain only to breaches of duty by directors as directors and not in any other corporate capacity, such as officers, and limit liability only for breaches of fiduciary duties under Delaware corporate law and not for violations of other laws such as the federal securities laws.

The Certificate also requires the Company to indemnify its directors, officers, employees and agents to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law against certain expenses and costs, judgments, settlements and fines incurred in the defense of any claim, including any claim brought by or in the right of the Company, to which they were made parties by reason of being or having been directors, officers, employees and agents.

Under Article V of the Company s bylaws, the Company is required to defend and indemnify each person who is involved in any threatened or actual claim, action or proceeding by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Company or serving in a similar position with respect to another entity at the request of the Company to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. The rights conferred by Article V

of the Company s bylaws are contractual rights and include the right to be paid expenses incurred in defending the action, suit or proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

Item 16. Exhibits.

incorporated herein by reference to the
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tevent, Carrere & Denegre, L.L.P.
tevent, Carrere & Denegre, L.L.P. (included in
ration.*
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* Included on the signature page hereof.

Item 17. Undertakings.

(a) The registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(A) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(B) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this registration statement; notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;

(C) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this registration statement or any material change to such information in this registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(B) and (a)(1)(C) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Company's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Covington, State of Louisiana, on April 12, 2004.

SCP POOL CORPORATION

By:

/S/ MANUEL PEREZ DE LA MESA

Manuel J. Perez de la Mesa President and Chief Executive Officer

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of Manuel J. Perez de la Mesa and Craig K. Hubbard, or either of them, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement, and to file the same with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	Date	
/S/ MANUEL PEREZ DE LA MESA Manuel J. Perez de la Mesa	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	April 12, 2004	
<u>/S/ CRAIG K. HUBBARD</u> Craig K. Hubbard	Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary (Principal Financial Officer)	April 12, 2004	
/S/ DONALD L. MEYER Donald L. Meyer	Controller, Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer (Principal Accounting Officer)	April 12, 2004	
Wilson B. Sexton	Chairman of the Board and Director		
/S/ ANDREW W. CODE Andrew W. Code	Director	April 12, 2004	
<u>/S/ JAMES J. GAFFNEY</u> James J. Gaffney	Director	April 12, 2004	
<u>/S/ HARLAN F. SEYMOUR</u> Harlan F. Seymour	Director	April 12, 2004	
<u>Signature</u>	Title	<u>Date</u>	
<u>/S/ ROBERT C. SLEDD</u> Robert C. Sledd	Director	April 12, 2004	
John E. Stokely	Director		

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* Included on the signature page hereof.