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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): January 6, 2004

MKS Instruments, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Massachusetts (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) File Number) Id

(IRS Employer Identification N

01810 Six Shattuck Road, Andover, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (978) 975-2350

\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On January 6, 2004, MKS Instruments, Inc. issued a press release raising its guidance for the quarter ended December 31, 2003. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

SIGNATURE

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 6, 2004 MKS Instruments, Inc.

By: /s/ Ronald C. Weigner

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Ronald C. Weigner,

Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated January 6, 2004