

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) **December 1, 2003**

MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina

1-12744

56-1848578

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

2710 Wycliff Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27607-3033

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(919) 781-4550**

Not Applicable

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

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated December 1, 2003, announcing the resumption of the stock repurchase program.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On December 1, 2003, the Corporation announced the resumption of the stock repurchase program. The press release, dated December 1, 2003, is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

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.

MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: December 1, 2003

By: /s/ Janice K. Henry

Janice K. Henry
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS, INC.
ANNOUNCES RESUMPTION OF STOCK REPURCHASE PROGRAM**

RALEIGH, North Carolina (December 1, 2003) – Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. (NYSE: MLM) announced today that it intends to resume its repurchase program of its common stock through open market purchases pursuant to authority previously granted to it by the Board of Directors. The number of shares to be purchased and the price to be paid will depend on the availability of shares, the prevailing market price and any other considerations that may, in the opinion of management, affect the advisability of purchasing the stock.

Martin Marietta is the nation's second largest producer of construction aggregates and a leading producer of magnesia-based chemical products used in a wide variety of industries.

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