

MONSANTO CO /NEW/  
Form 8-K  
March 13, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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): March 13, 2003

MONSANTO COMPANY

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

001-16167

43-1878297

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(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

800 North Lindbergh Boulevard  
St. Louis, Missouri 63167

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 694-1000

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, executed by the Chief Executive Officer of Monsanto Company

99.2 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, executed by the Chief Financial Officer of Monsanto Company

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On March 13, 2003, Monsanto Company filed its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2002 with the Securities and Exchange

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Commission ("SEC"). In connection with the filing of the Form 10-K, on March 13, 2003, Frank V. AtLee III, Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President of Monsanto Company, and Terrell K. Crews, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Monsanto Company, each signed a Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (collectively, the "Certifications"). The Certifications were submitted to the SEC on March 13, 2003, as required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. A copy of each of the Certifications is attached as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 hereto.

We are furnishing the information contained in this report, including the Certifications, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. This information and the Certifications are furnished pursuant to Item 9 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, unless we specifically incorporate it by reference in a document filed under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

### SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: March 13, 2003

MONSANTO COMPANY

By: /s/ Michael L. DeCamp

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Name: Michael L. DeCamp  
Assistant Secretary

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