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February 13, 2004

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): February 12, 2004

SOUTHERN PERU COPPER CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-14066	13-3849074
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(State or other jurisdiction of Identification No.) organization)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer)

2575 East Camelback Rd. Phoenix, AZ	85016
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(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 977-6500

Item 5. Other Events

On February 12, 2004 the Board of Directors of Southern Peru Copper Corporation (the "Company") unanimously appointed Mr. Carlos Ruiz Sacristan as an independent Class A Director. Mr. Ruiz's appointment fills the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of Mr. Daniel Tellechea on October 6, 2003.

The Company welcomed Mr. Carlos Ruiz Sacristan, who has a distinguished professional career.

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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.

SOUTHERN PERU COPPER  
CORPORATION

By: Armando Ortega,  
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Its: Vice President-Legal and  
Secretary

Date: February 13, 2004