

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 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): April 28, 2003

KADANT INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-11406
(Commission File Number)

52-1762325
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

One Acton Place
Acton, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

01720
(Zip Code)

(978) 776-2000
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure

On April 28, 2003, Kadant Inc. issued a press release announcing that it has applied to list its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. The Company expects to begin trading on the NYSE on May 14, 2003 under the symbol "KAI." A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information provided pursuant hereto shall not be deemed incorporated by reference by any general statement incorporating by reference this Form 8-K into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and shall not otherwise be deemed filed under such Acts.

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

(c) Exhibits. The following material is filed as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit Number -----	Description -----
99.1	Press Release dated April 28, 2003.

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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.

KADANT INC.

Date: April 28, 2003 By: /s/ Thomas M. O'Brien

Thomas M. O'Brien
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,
and Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release dated April 28, 2003.

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NEWS

Kadant to Move to New York Stock Exchange

ACTON, Mass., April 28, 2003 - Kadant Inc. (AMEX:KAI) announced that it has applied to list its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). The company anticipates that its common stock will begin trading on the NYSE on Wednesday, May 14, 2003, under its current ticker symbol, "KAI." Kadant's common stock will continue to trade on the American Stock Exchange until that date.

William A. Rainville, chairman and chief executive officer of Kadant, said, "Now that we are a completely independent public company, we are looking to increase our visibility in the global investment community. We believe that our listing on the NYSE will give us access to a broader investor base, and the benefit of being associated with other listed firms that share our attributes - a history of leadership, global market presence, sound business practices, and financial strength."

"The Exchange is privileged to welcome Kadant to its family of listed companies," said NYSE chairman and chief executive officer Dick Grasso. "As a long-time supplier to the pulp and paper industry, Kadant has built a global franchise that is a recognized and respected leader in the industry. We look forward to an outstanding partnership with Kadant and its shareholders."

Kadant Inc. is a leading supplier of a range of products for the global papermaking and paper recycling industries, including stock-preparation equipment, water-management systems, and papermaking accessories. The company also develops and manufactures composite building materials produced from recycled fiber and plastic. Kadant, based in Acton, Massachusetts, reported \$186 million in revenues in 2002 and employs approximately 1,100 people worldwide. For more information, please visit www.kadant.com.