UNITED STATES 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: March 17, 2003

APA OPTICS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MINNESOTA 0-16106 41-1347235 (State of other jurisdiction (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer dentification Number)

2950) NE	84TH	LANE,	BLAINE,	MN	55449
(Address	of	princi	pal ez	xecutive	offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (763) 784-4995

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report): N/A

ITEM 2. ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF ASSETS

On March 14, 2003, we completed the acquisition of certain assets of Computer System Products, Inc. (CSP) as more fully described in the attached press release referenced in Item 7.

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. Description

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Press Release dated March 17, 2003

2 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.

Dated: March 17, 2003 APA OPTICS, INC.

NEWS RELEASE

APA Completes CSP Acquisition

MINNEAPOLIS (March 17, 2003) - APA Optics (Nasdaq/NM.APAT) Blaine, MN has completed an acquisition of assets from Computer System Products, Inc. (Plymouth, MN) for cash and assumption of certain liabilities. In addition, the principal shareholders of CSP received 5-year warrants for purchase of 350,000 shares of APA common stock, exercisable at \$3.00 per share. The assets will be deployed by APA's new subsidiary, APA Cables and Networks, Inc., in the manufacture of standard and custom copper and fiber cable assemblies for service providers and original equipment manufacturers.

APA Optics, Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and markets advanced products for fiber optic communications, including dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) components and Gallium Nitride compound semiconductor-based ultraviolet detectors, instruments and consumer products. Additional information about APA is available at www.apaoptics.com.

Forward-looking statements contained herein are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based upon the Company's current expectations and judgments about future developments in the Company's business. Certain important factors could have a material impact on the Company's performance, including, without limitation, delays in or increased costs of production, delays in or lower than anticipated sales of the Company's new products, the Company's ability to sell such products at a profitable price, the Company's ability to fund operations, and other factors discussed from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update such statements to reflect actual events.

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