

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 (date of earliest event reported):
May 19, 2003

CHEMED CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-8351	31-0791746
(State or other	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer
jurisdiction of		Identification
incorporation)		Number)

2600 Chemed Center, 255 East 5th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:
(513) 762-6900

Item 5. Other Events

The Registrant announced May 20, 2003 that, effective May 19, 2003, it has changed its name to "Roto-Rooter, Inc." The Registrant's press release, dated May 20, 2003, is attached as an exhibit to this report.

Exhibits.

(99.1) Registrant's press release dated May 20, 2003.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHEMED CORPORATION

Dated: May 20, 2003

By: /s/ Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.
Arthur V. Tucker, Jr.
Vice President and Controller