

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):  
April 16, 2003

**THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**No. 001-14965**

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(Commission File  
Number)

**No. 13-4019460**

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(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**85 Broad Street**  
**New York, New York**

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**10004**

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(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(212) 902-1000**

N/A

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

On April 16, 2003, The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (the “Registrant”) announced that it had agreed to acquire El Paso Corporation’s interests in East Coast Power L.L.C., which owns the Linden cogeneration facility located in Linden, New Jersey. A copy of the press release of the Registrant containing this announcement is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- 99.1 Press release of the Registrant, dated April 16, 2003, announcing the agreement to acquire El Paso Corporation’s interests in East Coast Power L.L.C.

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.

THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: April 16, 2003

By: /s/ Dan H. Jester

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Name: Dan H. Jester  
Title: Vice President and Deputy  
Chief Financial Officer

The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. 85 Broad Street New York, New York 10004



**GOLDMAN SACHS TO PURCHASE MAJORITY INTEREST  
IN LINDEN COGENERATION FACILITY**

NEW YORK, April 16, 2003 — The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (NYSE: GS) announced today that it has agreed to acquire for \$456 million in cash El Paso Corporation’s (NYSE: EP) interests in East Coast Power L.L.C., which owns the Linden cogeneration facility located in Linden, New Jersey. Approximately \$600 million of non-recourse, project-level debt will remain outstanding at East Coast Power L.L.C. and its subsidiaries following the transaction closing. The transaction is subject to regulatory approval and is expected to close within three months.

“We are pleased to re-enter the power generation market, especially with assets of this quality,” said Richard Ruzika, co-head of Global Commodities at Goldman Sachs. “As we found in our joint venture with Constellation Energy, owning generation assets enhances our power-trading capabilities and opportunities.”

The gas-fired, 940-megawatt Linden cogeneration facility is directly adjacent to Staten Island. Approximately 80% of power produced by the facility is sold into the New York City market, with the remainder sold to the New Jersey market. A substantial portion of the plant’s output is sold under long-term contracts to established, A-rated counterparties.

Goldman Sachs is a leading global investment banking, securities and investment management firm that provides a wide range of services worldwide to a substantial and diversified client base that includes corporations, financial institutions, governments and high net worth individuals. Founded in 1869, it is one of the oldest and largest investment banking firms. The firm is headquartered in New York and maintains offices in London, Frankfurt, Tokyo, Hong Kong and other major financial centers around the world.

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