

ALTRIA GROUP INC  
Form 8-K  
April 15, 2003

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**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 14, 2003**

**ALTRIA GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Virginia**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-8940**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**13-3260245**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**120 Park Avenue, New York, New York**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10017-5592**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(917) 663-4000**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

On April 14, 2003, Altria Group, Inc. announced that its domestic tobacco subsidiary, Philip Morris USA Inc., has obtained trial court approval of an Order on Defendant's Request for Reduction of Bond and Stay of Enforcement of the Judgment in Price, et al. v. Philip Morris Incorporated in Illinois. The Order is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

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

(c) Exhibits

- 99.1 Press Release dated April 14, 2003.
- 99.2 Order on Defendant's Request for Reduction of Bond and Stay of Enforcement of the Judgment.
- 99.3 Executed Appeal Bond.

**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.

ALTRIA GROUP, INC.

By:           /s/ G. PENN HOLSENBECK          

Name: G. Penn Holsenbeck  
Title: Vice President, Associate  
General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary

DATE: April 15, 2003

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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