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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

APRIL 3, 2001
DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED)

AGCO CORPORATION
(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

Delaware
(State of incorporation)

1-12930
(Commission file number)

58-1960019
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

4205 RIVER GREEN PARKWAY
DULUTH, GEORGIA 30096
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE
OFFICES INCLUDING ZIP CODE)

(770) 813-9200

(REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On April 3, 2001, we issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 relating to a planned private placement of notes.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(a) Exhibits

99.1 Press release issued April 3, 2001, relating to a planned private placement of notes

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements Section 12 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.

AGCO Corporation

By: /s/ Stephen Lupton

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Dated: April 3, 2001

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Tuesday, April 3, 2001

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AGCO CORPORATION ANNOUNCES PLANNED PRIVATE
PLACEMENT OF NOTES

DULUTH, GA -- April 3 -- AGCO Corporation (NYSE: AG), a major worldwide designer, manufacturer and distributor of agricultural equipment, today announced that it is seeking to raise approximately \$250 million through an institutional private placement of senior notes. Completion of the offering is expected later this month, subject to market conditions. The proceeds of the anticipated offer would be used to reduce AGCO's borrowings under its revolving credit facility.

The notes have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 or any state securities laws and are being offered only to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act. Unless so registered, the notes may not be offered or sold except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws.

THIS PRESS RELEASE CONTAINS FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS REGARDING OUR ABILITY TO COMPLETE THIS PRIVATE PLACEMENT AND EFFECTIVELY USE THE PROCEEDS. THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INVOLVE A NUMBER OF RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES. AMONG THE IMPORTANT FACTORS THAT COULD CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS TO DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE INDICATED IN SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDE UNCERTAINTIES RELATING TO (I) MARKET CONDITIONS OR CORPORATE HIGH-YIELD SECURITIES IN GENERAL AND OUR NOTES IN PARTICULAR; (II) OUR SUBSTANTIAL LEVERAGE AND DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS; (III) THE CYCLICABILITY OF THE MARKET FOR AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT; AND (IV) OUR ABILITY TO SUCCESSFULLY INTEGRATE THE OPERATIONS OF ACQUIRED

BUSINESSES. ADDITIONAL RELEVANT RISK FACTORS THAT COULD CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS TO DIFFER MATERIALLY ARE DISCUSSED IN THE "RISK FACTORS" AND "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS" SECTIONS OF OUR REGISTRATION STATEMENTS AND REPORTS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, WHICH ARE AVAILABLE DIRECTLY FROM US, FROM PUBLIC REFERENCE FACILITIES MAINTAINED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, OR, TO THE EXTENT FILED VIA EDGAR, ACCESS TO THE WEBSITE OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ([HTTP://WWW.SEC.GOV](http://www.sec.gov)).

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AGCO Corporation, headquartered in Duluth, Georgia, is a global designer, manufacturer and distributor of agricultural equipment and related replacement parts. AGCO products are distributed in 140 countries. AGCO offers a full product line including tractors, combines, hay tools, sprayers, forage equipment and implements through more than 8,200 independent dealers and distributors around the world. AGCO products are distributed under the brand names AGCO(R)Allis, AGCOSTAR(R), Farmhand(R), FENDT(TM), Fieldstar(R), GLEANER(R), Glencoe(R), Hesston(R), Massey Ferguson(R), New Idea(R), Spra-Coupe(R), Tye(R), White Tractors, White Planters and Willmar(R). AGCO provides retail financing through AGCO Finance in North America and through Agricredit in the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Ireland, Spain and Brazil. In 2000, AGCO had sales of \$2.3 billion.

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