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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

Date of Report: May 31, 2002 (Date of earliest event reported)

UNIVERSAL CORPORATION (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Virginia 1-652 54-0414210 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.)

1501 North Hamilton Street
Richmond, Virginia
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

23230 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (804) 359-9311

Item 5. Other Events.

The press release issued by the Registrant on May 30, 2002 attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is incorporated herein by reference.

- Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.
 - (c) Exhibits.

No. Description

99.1 Press Release Announcing Early Closing of Henderson, N.C. Plant.*

*Filed Herewith

SIGNATURES

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

UNIVERSAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

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Date: May 31, 2002 By: /s/ George C. Freeman, III

George C. Freeman, III

General Counsel and Secretary

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