ALBERTO CULVER CO Form S-8 POS November 14, 2003

Registration No. 333-51527

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Under

the Securities Act of 1933

ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction

36-2257936 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE

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MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS 60160

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION PLAN OF 1988

(Full title of the plan)

GARY P. SCHMIDT

ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY

2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE

MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS 60160-1163

(708) 450-3262

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

Withdrawing Unsold Shares From Registration

The registrant files this post-effective amendment, pursuant to its undertaking, for the purpose of withdrawing from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, 3,055,644 shares of Class A Common Stock, \$.22 par value, of the registrant previously registered under this registration statement and remaining unsold upon the termination of the sales of shares covered by this registration statement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement, or amendment thereto, to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Melrose Park, State of Illinois on October 22, 2003.

ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Leonard H. Lavin, Howard B. Bernick, William J. Cernugel and Gary P. Schmidt, or any of them, such person strue and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to sign any or all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

| Signature | Title | Date |
|-------------------------|---|------------------|
| /s/ Leonard H. Lavin | Chairman of the Board and Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Leonard H. Lavin | | |
| /s/ Howard B. Bernick | President, Chief Executive Officer and Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Howard B. Bernick | (Principal Executive Officer) | |
| /s/ Bernice E. Lavin | Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Bernice E. Lavin | Treasurer and Director | |
| /s/ Carol L. Bernick | Vice Chairman, President Alberto-Culver Consumer Products World-wide, | October 22, 2003 |
| Carol L. Bernick | Assistant Secretary and Director | |
| /s/ William J. Cernugel | Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer | October 22, 2003 |
| William J. Cernugel | (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer) | |
| /s/ A. G. Atwater, Jr. | Director | October 22, 2003 |
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A. G. Atwater, Jr.

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| /s/ James G. Brocksmith, Jr. | Director | October 22, 2003 |
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| James G. Brocksmith, Jr. | | |
| /s/ Jim Edgar | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Jim Edgar | | |
| /s/ King Harris | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| King Harris | | |

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| Signature | Title | Date |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| /s/ John A. Miller | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| John A. Miller | | |
| /s/ Allan B. Muchin | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Allan B. Muchin | | |
| /s/ Robert H. Rock | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Robert H. Rock | | |
| /s/ Sam Susser | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| Sam Susser | | |
| /s/ William W. Wirtz | Director | October 22, 2003 |
| William W. Wirtz | | |