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) December 15, 2003

CAPSTONE TURBINE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction (Commission file number) of incorporation)

001-15957

95-4180883 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

21211 Nordhoff Street, Chatsworth, California 91311 (Address of principal executive offices)

(818) 734-5300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 8. CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR

The Company has adopted a new fiscal year end, moving the end of its fiscal year from December 31 to March 31. As a result of this change, the Company will file a transition report on Form 10-Q for the three-month period ended March 31, 2003. The Company's new fiscal year will commence on April 1, 2003 and end on March 31, 2004.

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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.

Date: December 15, 2003 By: /s/ Karen Clark

Karen Clark

Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit Number Description of Document

99.1 Press Release of Capstone Turbine Corporation dated December 15, 2003

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Capstone Turbine Announces Change in Year-End

CHATSWORTH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Dec. 15, 2003--Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.microturbine.com) (Nasdaq:CPST) announced today that its year-end is being changed from December 31 to March 31.

"We believe having our Company's year-end in March will allow us to better balance work loads for our employees and permit us to more efficiently focus our resources on key business priorities each quarter throughout the year," said Karen Clark, Capstone's Chief Financial Officer. "As required, Capstone will continue to report its results each quarter, but in the future, full year results will be presented based on a March 31 year-end."

About Capstone Turbine

Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.microturbine.com) (Nasdaq:CPST) is the world's leading producer of low-emission microturbine systems. In 1998, Capstone was the first to offer commercial energy products utilizing microturbine technology, the result of more than ten years of focused research. Capstone Turbine has sold and shipped more than 2,500 Capstone MicroTurbine systems to customers worldwide. These award-winning systems have logged more than 5 million hours of documented operation.

"Capstone Turbine Corp" is a registered trademark of Capstone Turbine Corporation.

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