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) January 7, 2004

CAPSTONE TURBINE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001–15957	95-4180883
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission file number)	(I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation)		Identification No.)

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

(818) 734-5300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company announced today that it is in the final stages of development of its C-200 microturbine and plans beta testing of the new product to begin in the first quarter of its fiscal year, which begins April 1. It also anticipates that in the third fiscal quarter, based on the results of the beta testing, it will describe its expected plans for the launch of the C-200.

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.

CAPSTONE TURBINE CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: January 7, 2004

By:

/s/ Karen Clark

Karen Clark Chief Financial Officer

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Press Release of Capstone Turbine Corporation dated January 7, 2004.

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Capstone Turbine Announces C-200 Beta Testing Plans

CHATSWORTH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 7, 2004--Capstone Turbine Corporation (www.microturbine.com) (Nasdaq:CPST) announced today that it is in the final stages of development of its C-200 microturbine and plans beta testing of the new product to begin in the first quarter of its fiscal year, which begins April 1.

"We are pleased at the progress we are making on the C-200 development," said John Tucker, Capstone's CEO. "We anticipate that in our third fiscal quarter, based on the results of the beta testing, we will describe our expected plans for the launch of the C-200."

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.

This press release contains "forward-looking statements," as that term is used in the federal securities laws, about Capstone's business, with regard to the company's expected timing of C-200 development and launch schedules. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties that may cause Capstone's actual results to be materially different from any future results expressed or implied in such statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to Capstone's ability to progress to the beta testing phase as anticipated, the progress of the beta testing phase to permit describing expected product launch plans as anticipated, and other factors detailed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Capstone cautions readers not to place undue reliance on these statements, which speak only as of the date of this release. Capstone undertakes no obligation, and specifically disclaims any obligation, to release any revisions to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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

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