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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

March 4, 2004

BASF AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT (Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

BASF CORPORATION (Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Carl Bosch Strasse 38, LUDWIGSHAFEN, GERMANY 67056 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form $$40\mbox{-}F$$

Form 20-F X Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the Registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- .

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Hans Dieter Poetsch appointed member of the Supervisory Board of BASF Aktiengesellschaft

Hans Dieter Poetsch (53), member of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG, is a new member of the Supervisory Board of BASF Aktiengesellschaft. He was appointed by the district court of Ludwigshafen on March 2, 2004. The appointment was made necessary by the death of Supervisory Board member Helmut

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Werner. The Supervisory Board of BASF Aktiengesellschaft now once again complies with the requirements of German law.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Current Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BASF Aktiengesellschaft

Date: March 4, 2004 By: /s/ Elisabeth Schick

Name: Elisabeth Schick

Title: Director Site Communications

Ludwigshafen and Europe

By: /s/ Christian Schubert

Name: Christian Schubert Title: Director Corporate

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