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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: March 21, 2001

SUNOCO, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Pennsylvania 1-6841 23-1743282
----(State or other (Commission (IRS employer jurisdiction of file number) identification incorporation) number)

(215) 977-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events.

On March 21, 2001, Sunoco, Inc. issued a press release announcing the shutdown of its Yabucoa, Puerto Rico refinery and lubricants blend plants in Marcus Hook, PA, Tulsa, OK and Richmond, CA. The Company also separately announced that it expects operating income in the first quarter of 2001 in the range of \$1.00 to \$1.11 per share (\$85 to \$95 million). A copy of such press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

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99.1 Sunoco, Inc. Press Release dated March 21, 2001.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

SUNOCO, INC.

BY s/ JOSEPH P. KROTT

----Joseph P. Krott
Comptroller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

DATE March 21, 2001

EXHIBIT INDEX

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