PEOPLES HOLDING CO Form 8-K August 21, 2003

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

August 20, 2003

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

THE PEOPLES HOLDING COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Mississippi 1-13253 64-0676974

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Identification Number)

209 Troy Street, Tupelo, Mississippi 38802-0709

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

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Registrant	s Telephone	Number:	(662)680-1001
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ITEM 7: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(c) The following exhibit is filed herewith:

99.1 $\,$ Press Release, dated August 20, 2003, issued by The Peoples Holding Company. ITEM 9: REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

At the close of business on August 20, 2003, The Peoples Holding Company issued a press release announcing the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of \$0.28 per share. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

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.

	THE PEOPLES HOLDING COMPANY
	Registrant
DATE: August 20, 2002	/s/ E. Robinson McGraw
DATE: August 20, 2003	E. Robinson McGraw President & Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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