# 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) June 18, 2003

## SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-7850 (Commission File Number) **88-0085720** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5241 Spring Mountain Road
Post Office Box 98510
Las Vegas, Nevada
(Address of principal executive offices)

**89193-8510** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (702) 876-7237

#### Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 18, 2003, Southwest Gas Corporation (the Company) filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) requesting authorization to add a new financing subsidiary (Southwest Gas Capital II) in compliance with the affiliate rules governing the Company s operations. Southwest Gas Capital II would be a wholly owned trust created to issue preferred securities.

The Company plans to file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission to register securities for issuance by the Company and/or by the financing subsidiary. If approved, and if the securities are issued, the Company intends to use proceeds for general corporate purposes, including the redemption of the currently outstanding trust-originated preferred securities.

A copy of the press release, dated June 18, 2003, is attached as Exhibit 99.

#### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits
- 99 Press release dated June 18, 2003.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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.

#### SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION

Chief Accounting Officer

Date: June 18,
2003

Roy R. CENTRELLA

Vice President/Controller and

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## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit <u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99	Press release dated June 18, 2003.

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