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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

[October 18, 2004]

Metso Corporation

(Translation of registrant s name into English)
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Date October 18, 2004

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

Name:

Olli Vaartimo Executive Vice President and CFO Metso Corporation Harri Luoto Senior Vice President, General Counsel Metso Corporation

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Taina Sopenlehto appointed as head of Metso s Human Resource Management

(Helsinki, Finland, October 18, 2004) **Taina Sopenlehto** (43), Ph.D, has been appointed Senior Vice President, Human Resource Management of Metso Corporation (NYSE: MX; HEX: MEO), as of January 1, 2005. Her responsibilities include the definition of Corporate level focus areas of Metso s human resource management, management of human resource core processes and the development of leadership competences required by Metso s strategy. Taina Sopenlehto will report to Jorma Eloranta, President and CEO of Metso Corporation. Currently Taina Sopenlehto is Vice President, Human Resources at Wärtsilä Corporation.

Metso Corporation is a global supplier of process industry machinery and systems, as well as know-how and aftermarket services. The Corporation s core businesses are fiber and paper technology (Metso Paper), rock and mineral processing (Metso Minerals) and automation and control technology (Metso Automation). In 2003, the net sales of Metso Corporation were EUR 4.3 billion. It has approximately 26,000 employees in 50 countries. Metso Corporation is listed on the Helsinki and New York Stock Exchanges.

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