## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 20549** 

### FORM 8-K

**Securities and Exchange Commission** 

Washington, D. D. 20549

**CURRENT REPORT** 

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE

**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 30, 2003

# **Exide Technologies**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware** (State of Incorporation)

1-11263 (Commission File Number)  ${\bf 23\text{-}0552730} \\ \textbf{(IRS Employer Identification No.)}$ 

210 Carnegie Center

Suite 500

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Princeton, New Jersey 08540

 $(Address\ of\ principal\ executive\ office)$ 

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (609) 627-7200

#### INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

### ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On April 15, 2002, Exide and three of its wholly-owned, U.S. subsidiaries, RBD Liquidation, LLC, Exide Delaware, LLC and Exide Illinois, Inc. filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (Bankruptcy Court) under case numbers 02-11125 through 02-11128. On November 21, 2002, Refined Metals Corporation and Dixie Metals Company, both wholly owned, non-operating subsidiaries of Exide, filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Court under case numbers 02-13449 and 02-13450. All of the cases are being jointly administered for procedural purposes before the Bankruptcy Court under case number 02-11125KJC. On December 30, 2003, the Bankruptcy Court issued a decision denying confirmation of the Debtors Fourth Amended Plan of Reorganization.

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SIGNATURES	
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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, and in the capacity indicated.

EXIDE TEC	HNOLOGIES	
BY:	/s/ Craig H. Muhlhauser	
_	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer	
BY:	/s/ Ian J. Harvie	
	Interim Chief Financial Officer, Vice President and	
	Corporate Controller	
Date: January	7, 2004	
EXHIBITS:		
99.1 Opinion 30, 2003.	on Confirmation issued by the United States E	Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, Case No. 02-11125, dated Decem