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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 (Date of earliest event reported): July 8, 2003

ProAssurance Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-16533 63-1261433 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer I.D. No.)

100 Brookwood Place, Birmingham, Alabama 35209
(Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (205) 877-4400

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits filed with this report:

Number Exhibit

99.1 Copy of Registrant's press release, dated July 8, 2003, publicly commenting on A. M. Best's

affirmation of the Company's Financial Strength Rating, and highlighting Best's rating of the

Company's recently issued debentures.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

The registrant has furnished this report to disclose for Regulation FD purposes its public release of:

1. Comments on A. M. Best's affirmation of the Company's Financial Strength Rating, and Best's rating of the Company's recently issued debentures. A copy of the press release, dated July 8, 2003, is included as exhibit 99.1 to this report.

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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.

Date: June 8, 2003

PROASSURANCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Howard H. Friedman

Howard H. Friedman Chief Financial Officer

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