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Form 8-K July 26, 2004

> 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 26, 2004

SERVICE CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-6402-1

74-1488375 (Commission (I. R. S. employer file number) identification number)

1929 Allen Parkway, Houston, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

77019 (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone numbers, including area code - (713) 522-5141

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure

Service Corporation International ("the Company") has finalized its discussions with the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the application of FASB Interpretation No. 46 (revised December 2003), Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities ("FIN 46R"), to the statutorily required trusts (the "Trusts") utilized by the Company. FIN 46R was implemented by the Company as of March 31, 2004. The Company's conclusions regarding the application of FIN 46R to its Trusts are fully described in a letter to the SEC attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which exhibit is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
- 99.1 Letter dated July 21, 2004 from Service Corporation International, Alderwoods Group, Inc., Stewart Enterprises, Inc. and Carriage Services, Inc. to Mr. Donald T. Nicolaisen, Chief Accountant of the Securities and Exchange Commission, regarding the Company's conclusions on the application of FIN 46R to the Company's statutorily required trusts.

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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.

July 26, 2004

SERVICE CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL

By: /s/ Eric D. Tanzberger

Eric D. Tanzberger

Vice President and Corporate Controller

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