

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): August 25, 2004

GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE	1-8086	06-0853856
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer identification number)

6 Rubber Avenue, Naugatuck, CT 06770

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(203) 729-0271

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to
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the following provisions:

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240.14a-12)
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Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the
Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01: Other Events

On August 25 and 26, 2004 the Company terminated 19 employees, representing approximately 19% of its Company-wide workforce. The Company will not record any charge as a result of the terminations.

The action to reduce operating costs was taken in response to continued declining revenues due in part to continuing difficult market conditions in the telecommunications industry.

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.

GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /s/ WILLIAM G. HENRY

William G. Henry
Vice President and Principal
Financial Officer

August 30, 2004