# **UNITED STATES** 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): December 31, 2003

# Sypris Solutions, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-24020 (Commission File Number)

61-1321992 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

101 Bullitt Lane, Suite 450 Louisville, Kentucky (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

> 40222 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 329-2000

#### Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits
  - 99 Registrant's press release dated December 31, 2003

# Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

The Registrant's press release dated December 31, 2003, reporting it has completed the purchase of a manufacturing plant located in Morganton, North Carolina from Dana Corporation, is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K, and is furnished to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation FD.

#### SIGNATURES

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.

Dated: December 31, 2003

#### Sypris Solutions, Inc.

By: /s/ David D. Johnson

David D. Johnson Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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#### SYPRIS COMPLETES FIRST PHASE OF DEAL WITH DANA

#### DETAILED RELEASE AND CALL SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 5, 2004

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Dec. 31, 2003) – Sypris Solutions, Inc. (Nasdaq/NM:SYPR) today announced that it has completed the purchase of a manufacturing plant located in Morganton, North Carolina from Dana Corporation (NYSE:DCN) ("Dana") and will now begin to furnish Dana with a wide range of drive train components under an eight-year supply agreement that accompanied the purchase. The transaction, which represents the first phase of a larger deal, was first announced on September 4, 2003. The closing occurred on December 31, 2003.

Details regarding the transaction, including an update of the Company's financial outlook for 2004 incorporating the expected impact of the new supply agreement, will be made available through a detailed press release Monday morning, January 5, 2004, and will be followed shortly thereafter by a conference call at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time. The call can be accessed live via the Internet. Visit <u>www.sypris.com</u> or <u>www.fulldisclosure.com</u> for the link to the call or to listen to a replay of the call, which will be available for 30 days.

Sypris Solutions is a diversified provider of technology-based outsourced services and specialty products. The Company performs a wide range of manufacturing and technical services, typically under multi-year, sole-source contracts with major corporations and government agencies in the markets for aerospace and defense electronics, truck components and assemblies, and for users of test and measurement equipment. For more information about Sypris Solutions, visit its Web site at <u>http://www.sypris.com</u>.

This press release, and any oral statements made with reference to this cautionary guidance, includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as they relate to, or may affect, the Company's future results. These statements only reflect management's current opinions; and no assurance can be given, that any of these results will actually occur. Important factors could cause performance to differ materially from projected results contained in, or based upon, these statements, including: the discovery of, or failure to discover, material issues during due diligence; the failure to agree on the final terms of definitive agreements, long-term supply agreements or related agreements or any party's breach of, or refusal to close the transactions reflected in, those agreements; the ability to successfully manage growth or contraction in the economy, or the commercial vehicle or electronics markets; access to capital on favorable terms as needed for operations or growth; the ability to achieve expected annual savings and synergies from past and future business combinations; competitive factors and price pressures; availability of third party component parts at reasonable prices; inventory risks due to shifts in market demand and/or price erosion of purchased components;

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changes in product mix; program changes, delays, or cancellations by the government or other customers;

concentrated reliance on major customers or suppliers; cost and yield issues associated with the Company's manufacturing facilities; revisions in estimated costs related to major contracts; labor relations; risks inherent in operating abroad, including foreign currency exchange rates; performance of our pension fund portfolios; changes in applicable law or in the Company's regulatory authorizations, security clearances, or other legal rights to conduct its business, deal with its work force or export goods and services; adverse regulatory actions, or other governmental sanctions; risks of litigation, including litigation with respect to environmental or asbestos-related matters, customer or supplier claims, or stockholders; the effects (including possible increases in the cost of doing business) resulting from future war and terrorists activities or political uncertainties; natural disasters, casualties, utility disruptions, or the failure to anticipate unknown risks and uncertainties present in the Company's businesses; dependence on current management; as well as other factors included in the Company's periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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