

**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): May 13, 2003

Commission File Number 1-13610

PMC COMMERCIAL TRUST

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS

75-6446078

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

18111 Preston Road, Suite 600, Dallas, TX 75252

(972) 349-3200

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Registrant's telephone number)

Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report: NONE

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated May 13, 2003.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 13, 2003, PMC Commercial Trust (the “Company”) issued a press release describing its results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2003. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. The information under this caption is furnished by the Company pursuant to Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition, under Item 9 of Form 8-K in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission Release No. 34-47583. This information shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

In the press release, the Company used the “non-GAAP financial measure” of Funds from Operations (“FFO”). A reconciliation of FFO to the comparable “GAAP financial measure” (Net income) is contained in the attached press release. As FFO falls within the definition of “non-GAAP financial measure,” the Company has included in the press release a statement disclosing the reasons why management believes that presentation of FFO provides useful information to investors regarding the Company’s results of operations.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15 (d) 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.

Date: May 15, 2003

PMC COMMERCIAL TRUST

By: /s/ Barry N. Berlin

Barry N. Berlin, Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Press Release dated May 13, 2003.

FOR IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE

FOR: PMC Commercial Trust
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Dallas, TX 75252

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PMC Commercial Trust Announces First Quarter Results

**PMC Commercial Trust
AMEX (Symbol PCC)**

Dallas, TX

May 13, 2003

PMC Commercial Trust (AMEX: PCC) announced first quarter results today. For the three months ended March 31, 2003, net income was \$1,812,000, or \$0.28 per share, as compared to \$2,648,000, or \$0.41 per share, for the three months ended March 31, 2002. The decreases were primarily a result of decreases in interest rates on our variable-rate loans and continued emphasis on variable-rate lending.

During the three months ended March 31, 2003, PMC Commercial Trust funded \$9.0 million in loans to small businesses compared to \$6.3 million during the first quarter of 2002. At March 31, 2003, we had commitments to fund an additional \$28.6 million in loans.

Andrew S. Rosemore, Chairman of the Board stated, "The continued lower interest rates combined with a greater percentage of our portfolio at these lower variable rates has resulted in diminished interest income; however, we continue to believe that variable-rate lending optimizes our ability to make loans in these difficult economic times. Our portfolio continues to perform well in this economic environment."

Andrew S. Rosemore further stated, "We announced our plans to merge with PMC Capital on March 27, 2003 and we look forward to the completion of our merger with PMC Capital."

Completion of the merger is subject to approval by the shareholders of PMC Commercial Trust and PMC Capital, Inc., certain governmental consents and customary closing conditions.

The following tables contain comparative selected financial data as of March 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002 and for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2002:

FINANCIAL POSITION INFORMATION
(In thousands)

	March 31, 2003	December 31, 2002	Increase (Decrease) %
Loans receivable, net	\$ 80,276	\$ 71,992	12%
Real property investments	\$ 46,381	\$ 46,805	(1%)
Total investments	\$155,690	\$148,384	5%
Total assets	\$157,140	\$149,698	5%
Notes payable	\$ 39,895	\$ 41,191	(3%)
Revolving credit facility	\$ 16,150	\$ 7,300	121%
Total beneficiaries' equity	\$ 92,953	\$ 93,929	(1%)
Shares outstanding	6,446	6,446	—%

OPERATING INFORMATION*(In thousands, except per share data)*

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2003	2002	Inc/(Dec) %
Revenues:			
Interest income	\$1,447	\$1,941	(25%)
Lease income	1,432	1,417	1%
Income from retained interests in transferred assets	702	667	5%
Other income	28	203	(86%)
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Total revenues	3,609	4,228	(15%)
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Expenses:			
Interest expense	822	983	(16%)
Depreciation	470	457	3%
Advisory and servicing fees, net	449	449	—%
General and administrative expenses	90	44	105%
Professional fees	21	15	40%
Realized losses on retained interests in transferred assets	—	53	(100%)
Provision for loan losses	—	65	(100%)
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Total expenses	1,852	2,066	(10%)
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Income from continuing operations	1,757	2,162	(19%)
Discontinued operations	55	486	(89%)
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Net income	\$1,812	\$2,648	(32%)
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Weighted average shares outstanding	6,446	6,441	—%
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Basic and diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.41	(32%)
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FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS (“FFO”) RECONCILIATION

FFO (i) does not represent cash flows from operations as defined by generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”), (ii) is not indicative of cash available to fund all cash flow needs and liquidity, including our ability to make distributions, and (iii) should not be considered as an alternative to net income (as determined in accordance with GAAP) for purposes of evaluating our operating performance. We believe FFO is helpful to investors as a supplemental measure of operating performance since, along with net income and cash flows, it provides a useful measure of actual operating results. In addition, FFO is one of the measures utilized by the Board in its determination of dividends. FFO, as defined by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (NAREIT), means net income or loss determined in accordance with GAAP, excluding gains or losses from sales of property, plus real estate depreciation and amortization and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures. We calculate FFO based on the NAREIT definition. Our method of calculating FFO may be different from the methods used by other real estate investment trusts (“REITs”) and, accordingly, may not be directly comparable to such other REITs. Our formulation of FFO set forth below is consistent with the NAREIT White Paper definition of FFO.

A reconciliation of our FFO for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2002 was as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2003	2002
	(In thousands)	
Net income	\$ 1,812	\$ 2,648
Less gains on sale of assets	—	(371)
Add depreciation	470	518
FFO	<u>\$ 2,282</u>	<u>\$ 2,795</u>

CERTAIN MATTERS DISCUSSED IN THIS PRESS RELEASE ARE “FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS” INTENDED TO QUALIFY FOR THE SAFE HARBORS FROM LIABILITY ESTABLISHED BY THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995. THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS CAN GENERALLY BE IDENTIFIED AS SUCH BECAUSE THE CONTEXT OF THE STATEMENT WILL INCLUDE WORDS SUCH AS THE COMPANY “EXPECTS,” “ANTICIPATES” OR WORDS OF SIMILAR IMPORT. SIMILARLY, STATEMENTS THAT DESCRIBE THE COMPANY’S FUTURE PLANS, OBJECTIVES OR GOALS ARE ALSO FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES, INCLUDING THE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF THE COMPANY, REAL ESTATE CONDITIONS AND MARKET VALUATIONS OF ITS STOCK, WHICH COULD CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS TO DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE CURRENTLY ANTICIPATED. ALTHOUGH THE COMPANY BELIEVES THE EXPECTATIONS REFLECTED IN ANY FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE BASED ON REASONABLE ASSUMPTIONS, THE COMPANY CAN GIVE NO ASSURANCE THAT ITS EXPECTATIONS WILL BE ATTAINED. SHAREHOLDERS, POTENTIAL INVESTORS AND OTHER READERS ARE URGED TO CONSIDER THESE FACTORS CAREFULLY IN EVALUATING THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS MADE HEREIN ARE ONLY MADE AS OF THE DATE OF THIS PRESS RELEASE AND UNDERTAKES NO OBLIGATION TO PUBLICLY UPDATE SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS TO REFLECT SUBSEQUENT EVENTS OR CIRCUMSTANCES.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND WHERE TO FIND IT

THIS MATERIAL IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS PMC COMMERCIAL AND PMC CAPITAL WILL FILE WITH THE SEC. INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS WHICH WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION, INCLUDING DETAILED RISK FACTORS, WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE. THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENTS/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS WHICH WILL BE FILED BY PMC COMMERCIAL AND PMC CAPITAL WITH THE SEC WILL BE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE AT THE SEC’S WEBSITE (www.sec.gov) OR BY DIRECTING A REQUEST WHEN SUCH A FILING IS MADE TO PMC COMMERCIAL, 18111 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 600, DALLAS, TEXAS 75252, ATTN: INVESTOR RELATIONS, TELEPHONE (800) 486-3223 x3235; OR BY DIRECTING A REQUEST WHEN SUCH A FILING IS MADE TO PMC CAPITAL, 18111 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 600, DALLAS, TEXAS 75252, ATTN: INVESTOR RELATIONS, TELEPHONE (800) 486-3223 x3256.