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Financial Results and Distribution Declaration. A copy of the Press Release has been furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

Within the Press Release, we reference certain non-GAAP financial measures; including earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"). Additionally, we discuss EBITDA, net income and net income per Common Unit excluding the impact of unrealized (non-cash) gains and losses attributable to the mark-to-market activity on derivative instruments recorded in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 ("FAS 133").

We provide these non-GAAP financial measures because we believe that they assist the investment community in properly assessing our liquidity on a year-over-year basis. In addition, we believe that these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors and industry analysts to facilitate the comparison of cash flows between reporting periods for purposes of evaluating our ability to meet our debt service obligations and to pay our quarterly distributions. Moreover, our senior note agreements and our revolving credit agreement require us to use EBITDA in calculating our leverage and interest coverage ratios. A reconciliation of EBITDA to cash flow provided by operating activities (the most comparable GAAP measure) is presented in the Press Release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report.

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### 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.

SUBURBAN PROPANE PARTNERS, L.P.

October 23, 2003

By: /s/ Janice G. Meola

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Name: Janice G. Meola  
Title: General Counsel & Secretary

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EXHIBITS

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Press Release dated October 23, 2003