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May 30, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

ANTHRACITE CAPITAL, INC.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland

13-397-8906

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(State of Incorporation or Organization)

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

40 East 52nd Street  
New York, New York

10022

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), please check the following box. [x]

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), please check the following box. [ ]

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates:  
File No. 333-69848.

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Title of Each Class to be So Registered  
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Name of Each Exchange on Which  
Each Class is to be Registered  
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9.375% Series C Cumulative Redeemable  
Preferred Stock, par value \$.001 per share

New York Stock Exchange

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None.

INFORMATION IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

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### ITEM 1. DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT'S SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED

The information required by this Item 1 is set forth under the caption "Description of Series C Preferred Stock" contained in the Prospectus Supplement dated May 21, 2003, to the Prospectus dated April 29, 2002, included as part of the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-69848), of the Registrant, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 21, 2001, and amended by post-effective amendment No. 1 thereto filed on April 11, 2002. The Prospectus Supplement is hereby incorporated by reference into this registration statement.

### ITEM 2. EXHIBITS

The following exhibits are filed as part of this registration statement:

- 3.1 Articles of Amendment and Restatement of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-40813)).
- 3.2 Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-40813)).
- 3.3 Articles Supplementary Relating to the Series C Preferred Stock (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 30, 2003).
- 4.1 Form of 9.375% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 30, 2003).

### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

ANTHRACITE CAPITAL, INC.

By: /s/ Robert L. Friedberg

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Name: Robert L. Friedberg  
Title: Vice President and Secretary

Date: May 30, 2003