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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### FORM 10-KSB

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x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003

OR

.. TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number: 0-24989

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## AMERICAS POWER PARTNERS, INC.

(Name of small business issuer in its charter)

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Colorado  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

710 North York Road, Hinsdale, Illinois

36-4288975  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 630/325-9101**

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None**

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:**

**COMMON STOCK, NO PAR VALUE**

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Check if there is no disclosure of delinquent filers in response to Item 405 of Regulation S-B contained in this form, and no disclosure will be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-KSB or any amendment to this Form 10-KSB.

State issuer's revenues for its most recent fiscal year. \$ 205,900

As of June 14, 2004, the registrant had 7,238,100 shares of its Common Stock, no par value, outstanding. The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of that date is \$79,619.

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### **Part I**

#### **Disclosure Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This Annual Report includes historical information as well as statements regarding the Company's future expectations. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in forward-looking statements include: supply/demand for products, competitive pricing pressures, availability of capital on acceptable terms, continuing relationships with strategic partners, dependence on key personnel, changes in industry laws and regulations, competitive technology, and failure to achieve cost reduction targets or complete construction projects on schedule. The Company believes in good faith that the forward-looking statements in this Annual Report have a reasonable basis, including without limitation, management's examination of historical operating trends, data contained in records and other data available from third parties, but such forward looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results may differ materially from any results expressed or implied by such forward looking statements.

#### **ITEM 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS**

##### **GENERAL**

Americas Power Partners, Inc. (the Company or APP) was incorporated in April 1998. APP is in the business of developing, owning and arranging for the management of assets that produce energy for sale to industrial, commercial and government customers. The Company seeks long-term all-requirements contracts generally in the range of 12 to 25 years for energy and utility services with its clients.

The Company has the capacity to serve domestic and international clients from its headquarters in Hinsdale, Illinois and regional offices in Renfrew, Pennsylvania, and Stuart, Florida. In addition, the Company has the ability to provide services to its customers through four US service offices and 300 global distributorships of its strategic partner, Armstrong International, Inc. (Armstrong). Armstrong is a company with a 100-year history as a supplier of steam equipment and services to the power industry. Armstrong's distributors and representatives are in frequent contact with virtually every North America steam user as providers of product and technical solutions to steam distribution issues. Armstrong has invested significantly in APP and has expanded the role of its distributors and representatives to lead generation and development of energy services contracts.

The Company employs and partners with on-site utility specialists whose skills include the design and operation of combined heat and power generation, waste heat recovery, thermal and electrically based cooling/refrigeration, steam, electric, chilled water distribution, energy storage, measurement, automation, process water treatment, wastewater treatment and pollution control. One such specialist used by the Company is Armstrong Services Inc. (ASI), a wholly owned subsidiary of Armstrong.

APP offers three distinct products that target the energy requirements of the industrial, institutional and commercial market:

Cogeneration Projects

Utility Optimization

Utility Monetization

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APP seeks to utilize its knowledge and expertise to fulfill client energy needs, while using less fossil fuel, and thereby lowering fuel costs. APP finances the capital improvements necessary to provide its products which enables its customers to avoid capital expenditures in non-core activities. Customers can focus on their core business, while APP focuses on providing energy and utility services. This outsourcing arrangement allows the customer to focus their capital and management efforts on their products while relying on APP for more reliable, less costly operations of their utility systems. The Company may assist its customers with fuel supply and electric power purchasing and APP may share in certain energy cost savings.

APP achieves energy savings with a variety of approaches, but seeks to combine heat and power generation in each case, in order to capture fuel energy that is wasted in conventional central generation of electricity only. APP's approach is not limited to any specific fuel or technology, but is instead based on the needs of the individual customer, and the need to reduce fossil fuel consumption and related costs.

## **Cogeneration**

The Company plans on expanding its utility monetization relationships by acquiring, owning, operating and maintaining inside-the-fence cogeneration power plants to improve electricity reliability and availability.

The Company believes that the restructuring of the electric utility industry will open significant new opportunities to companies like APP in the development of cogeneration projects that free customers from the need to rely on local utilities, as well as provide the customer the advantages of reliability and cost savings that result from having captive, on-site, distributed generation facilities. In addition, the Company plans to capitalize on the efficiency benefits that current cogeneration technology provides relative to conventional power plants, which generally operate at 25% to 50% less efficiency. The Company plans to focus its cogeneration project development in the middle market by developing projects of less than 100 MW rated capacity, in comparison to the typical range of 500 MW to 1,000 MW for their large competitors.

APP also expects to acquire, develop, own and operate dedicated cogeneration plants at various locations throughout the United States. These projects, anticipated to range from approximately 5 MW to 100 MW, may be dedicated to selling all of the electrical and thermal output to a single end-user, selling all of the output to one or more wholesale marketing organizations, or a combination thereof. In all cases, at least initially, the Company plans to avoid the risks associated with merchant power plants, which sell their output on a spot basis without contracts, by entering into 12 to 25 year term contracts.

## **Utility Optimization**

The utility optimization program is designed for customers who prefer to continue owning and operating their own steam, electric, air, water and condensate return utility systems. In these cases, the Company provides intellectual capital and financial resources to upgrade the systems. The Company relies on ASI personnel where appropriate to supervise the installation of improvements and to provide maintenance. The Company earns a return on its investment through utility optimization and services agreements, which provide for the following:

A thorough review of a client's entire energy usage system to identify specific projects that will improve the utility system.

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An agreement for a maintenance contract.

The purchase of asset additions and improvements necessary to achieve the identified energy savings.

A net positive cash flow from reduced utility operating budgets and avoidance of any up front capital outlays.

An analysis and implementation of additional system improvements.

**Utility Monetization**

Under the Utility Monetization program, the Company purchases the client's existing power plant assets and incorporates improvements in the utility and distribution system and assumes ownership and operation of the plant. The Company enters into long-term agreements to sell steam, electricity, compressed air, water and wastewater treatment to the facility.

This program provides the following benefits to the customer:

The Company purchases the existing power plant equipment, invests in efficiency and reliability enhancements and operates and maintains the entire utility system.

The Company pays for needed fuel, electricity, water, and wastewater, which produce final energy products on site.

The Company takes responsibility for those risks it can control including conversion efficiency, labor productivity, reliability, and steam and power quality. The customer remains at risk for inflation and changes in purchased commodity prices, but will generally need less purchased commodities per unit of production or other benchmark, due to the Company's efficiency improvements. The Company is compensated for all energy and utility costs.

**MARKET AND INDUSTRY**

The U.S. market currently spends over \$200 billion on electricity and produces an amount of thermal energy valued at approximately \$170 billion annually. Consumers for the most part still separately convert purchased energy to steam, chilled water and compressed air, and employ personnel and capital resources to distribute steam, chilled water, electricity and compressed air throughout their facilities. U.S. spending for the full utility process, from fuel and commodity procurement to provision of comfort and process energy, exceeds \$500 billion per year.

In the early days of electricity development, governments believed that the generation of electricity was a natural monopoly, and to induce rapid deployment of electric power, awarded exclusive franchises for each territory. By 1977, 96% of U.S. electric power was produced by one of the approximately 2,800 monopoly electric company plants. In 1978, Congress passed the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act ( PURPA ), enabling non-monopoly generation by Independent Power Producers. Subsequent federal legislation further weakened the monopoly protection afforded electric utilities and, on March 1, 1998, Massachusetts became the first state to open its entire electric market to competition. California followed on March 30, 1998, and by June 30, 2000, over half of the states had legislatively or administratively eased restrictions to competition in electric

power generation.



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The earliest electric generation plants converted only about 8% of the fuel energy to electric power (a term referred to as efficiency). Over time, efficiencies rose to approximately 33% in the standard single cycle fossil fueled plants, with 67% of the energy in the fuel wasted at these generating plants. By the 1970s, industry participants had developed combined cycle heat and power plants which achieve efficiencies of 65% to 97% by generating power near thermal users and then providing normally wasted heat to those users. These highly efficient cogeneration power plants operate with a heat rate as low as 7,000 to 8,000 BTUs which is more than twice as efficient as the old gas fired plants and results in the more efficient cogeneration plants being able to sell their output when the less efficient plants may be shut down when demand is low. The Company believes that historic monopoly protection of generation and distribution, and the resulting barriers to efficient generation, will continue to be eased, making on-site combined heat and power generation more financially attractive, leading in turn to significant shifts from central to distributed generation.

The generation of hot water and/or low-pressure steam needed for process heating is less complex and capital intensive than the combined generation of heat and power. Consequently, processing industries, commercial establishments and institutions such as hospitals and universities generate their own thermal energy, using their own capital and labor. Under historic regulation of third-party electric generation, these firms and institutions opted to generate only thermal energy within their facilities while purchasing electric power from the local utility, but this fails to extract the full value potential of fuel. With easing of monopoly restrictions, combined heat and power production has risen from 4% of U.S. power production in 1977 to 9% in 1999. The U.S. Department of Energy has set a goal of doubling U.S. combined heat and power production over the next ten years, to 18-19% of total generation.

The Company believes that it is economically feasible to generate 50 to 60% of all U.S. power at combined heat and power plants located at or near large thermal users' sites. However, the conversion of existing thermal only power plants to more efficient and cleaner combined heat and power plants is complex and capital intensive. Global competition has forced most firms and institutions to focus on their core activities rather than expending resources on thermal and electric generation and distribution, leading to some outsourcing of these activities. This creates, in the Company's view, an opportunity to develop combined heat and power plants and optimize the combined generation and distribution of energy products within its customers' facilities.

The Company believes that the market for the power management service industry is expanding at a rapid rate, and that both competitive pressure to reduce costs and government mandates to reduce pollution will increase the use of third party energy professionals to manage campus utility plants. In addition, many firms and institutions depend on boilers that are technically and economically obsolete, difficult to operate and maintain, and polluting. A great deal of the power generation equipment at U.S. process plants must soon be upgraded or replaced to avoid costly downtime and environmental fines. APP believes it can continue to find significant opportunities to achieve cost savings in most utility systems while meeting all environmental requirements.

## STRATEGIC ALLIANCES

As previously mentioned, the Company has a strategic alliance with ASI, a subsidiary of Armstrong. Armstrong personnel have extensive experience in steam distribution, energy management, project management and construction of on-site utility plants. Armstrong has certified boiler specialists with experience in process and design engineering, power generation/boiler design and cogeneration.

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ASI provides the Company with business development support through Armstrong's worldwide network of direct sales and independent representatives. Upon completion of a transaction, ASI typically coordinates and/or implements all of the site projects, along with providing operations, maintenance and sustaining engineering for the Company's customers. In 2000, the Company formed a strategic alliance with Armstrong-Americas I, LLC (the "LLC"). This alliance is a joint venture with ASI to provide asset monetization for a large predominately U.S. commercial food processor.

## COMPETITION

In the past decade, many companies have formed corporate divisions to manage their plants' utility and energy systems and purchasing requirements, in order to better control energy requirements and cost. For the immediate future, the Company's principal competition will continue to be the in-house operation of the utility plant with most electricity purchased from the grid. More recently, some companies are beginning to outsource portions or all of these responsibilities to third parties like APP. The Company believes that effective energy management involves expertise not only in energy supply and production, but also in its distribution within the end user facility. The Company believes that many potential competitors have an interest only in supplying the electricity, fuel or water required by a plant and that some may assist with energy generation and production, but most stop short of distribution skills. APP believes that, as a result of its alliance with ASI and the LLC, the Company is in a unique position and may benefit from its understanding of energy distribution within a process plant. Competitors most likely will refine their strategies and grow, and other firms will enter the market, offering competitive services. Currently, several of the Company's competitors have higher market profiles and significantly greater financial resources than the Company.

## DOMINANT PLAYERS

The Company believes that no firm yet has what could be termed a dominant role in the emerging market of utility outsourcing and energy services. Various strategies are being offered by several companies, based on a single existing strength such as commodity management or trading, in operations, or in specific technologies. APP differentiates itself by focusing on energy savings, thus reducing overall utility costs. This strategy is complemented with the ability to co-generate electricity for the industrial user with the most efficient use of fuel.

Furthermore, the easing of monopoly protection will continue to subject electric utility managements to possible loss of market share, and may, in the Company's opinion, encourage these utilities to enter the energy services market, especially in other utility territories.

## PROPRIETARY RIGHTS

The Company has no patents, trademarks, licenses or royalty agreements. The Company relies on trade secrets and proprietary know-how. There can be no assurance that the trade secret or propriety nature of such information will not wrongfully be breached by employees, consultants, advisors or others, or that the Company's trade secrets or propriety know-how will not otherwise become known or be independently developed by competitors in such a manner that the Company has no practical recourse.

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### RAW MATERIALS AND SUPPLIERS

In providing its optimization and monetization services, the Company is not directly dependent upon raw materials or supplies, specifically electric, gas, steam or water energy sources. However, changes in the supply and pricing of these commodities, if significant enough, could have an impact on the Company's operations. Customer reliance on sole or limited sourcing for some commodities does present risk that adequate alternative supplies or timely deliveries could potentially interfere with the collection of revenues for which the Company is under contract.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

The Company has four employees situated in offices in Hinsdale, Illinois, Renfrew, Pennsylvania, and Stuart, Florida. None of the Company's employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. The Company's future success will depend in part on its continued ability to attract and retain high quality employees. The Company considers its relations with employees to be good.

The Company's President and Chief Operating Officer and its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer each worked in those capacities under separate leased employee agreements that were effective as of July 2001 and October 2001, respectively. The Company utilized the services of the President/COO under a leased employee agreement with Armstrong. The Company utilized the services of the Chairman/CEO under a leased employee agreement with a company that is an investor in the Company and is partially owned by one of the Company's directors.

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Under the terms of the Company's contracts with clients, responsibility for environmental matters relating to purchased assets is retained by the clients for a stipulated period of time. Accordingly, there were no environmental matters that would have a material effect on the financial statements as of June 30, 2003.

## **ITEM 2. DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

In the Hinsdale, IL location, the Company leases approximately 600 square feet of office space under a month-to-month lease arrangement. The lessor of this building is a firm partially owned by one of the Company's directors.

There are no formal lease arrangements in connection with the Company's offices in Renfrew, Pennsylvania or Stuart, Florida. The Company believes that all of the facilities are adequate to meet its needs for the foreseeable future, and that suitable replacement space is readily available.

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There are no pending legal proceedings involving the Company or any of its properties.

**ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS**

No matter was submitted to a vote of security holders during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003.

**PART II****ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS**

The Company's Common Stock commenced trading on the over-the-counter Bulletin Board market under the symbol APPN on January 24, 2000.

## QUARTERLY COMMON STOCK PRICE RANGES

Fiscal			
<u>Quarter</u>		<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
<u>Year ended June 30, 2003:</u>			
1st (July 1 - Sept 30)		Not eligible to trade	
2nd (Oct.1 - Dec. 31)		Not eligible to trade	
3rd (Jan.1 - Mar. 31)		Not eligible to trade	
4th (Apr.1 - Jun. 30)		\$0.05	\$0.00
<u>Year ended June 30, 2002:</u>			
1st (July 1 - Sept 30)		\$0.75	\$0.12
2nd (Oct.1 - Dec. 31)		\$0.22	\$0.03
3rd (Jan.1 - Mar. 31)		\$0.42	\$0.03
4th (Apr.1 - Jun. 30)		\$0.40	\$0.06

Such over-the-counter market quotations reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail markup, markdown or commission, and may not necessarily represent actual transactions.

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As of June 30, 2003, the number of registered holders of record of the Common Stock of the Company was 153.

The Company has not paid cash dividends on its Common Stock in the past and anticipates that, for the foreseeable future, all earnings, if any, will be retained to finance growth and to meet working capital requirements.

There was no common stock issued or redeemed during the year ended June 30, 2003.

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**ITEM 6. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the financial statements of the Company, including the notes thereto, which appear elsewhere in this annual report.

**Results of Operations.**

For the year ended June 30, 2003 the Company earned revenue of \$205,900 compared to \$358,908 during the prior year. The decrease was due to two of the Company's agreements with its customers being terminated during the year ended June 30, 2003. Costs of services also declined from \$110,468 to \$53,040.

During the year ended June 30, 2003, the Company incurred a net loss of \$901,680 compared to a net loss of \$952,139 during the year ended June 30, 2002.

The following is a discussion of the reasons for significant variances in the Company's expenses and other items over the last two fiscal periods:

**Payroll and employee benefits:**

This category of the Company's expenses decreased 5% or approximately \$31,000 compared to the year ended June 30, 2002 due to reductions in corporate salaries. The Company's current employees consist of its President and COO, its Chairman and CEO (both of whom are leased employees), its Controller and its Project Developer. No significant changes in the number of employees are expected in the near future.

**Professional fees:**

Professional fees decreased approximately \$45,000 from fiscal 2002 to 2003. Legal and accounting fees were reduced by approximately \$15,000. In addition, \$45,000 was paid to an investment banking firm in fiscal 2002. No investment banking expenses were incurred in fiscal 2003.

**Depreciation and amortization:**

Depreciation and amortization decreased by approximately \$2,000 due to a decrease in the Company's fixed assets.

**Provision for doubtful accounts:**

In fiscal 2002, the Company provided a total provision for doubtful accounts of \$252,837. Of this amount, approximately \$245,000 represented most of the Company's net investment in a project for a customer that filed for bankruptcy in August 2002. In fiscal 2003, the Company provided for another \$9,000 to fully reserve for 100% of its investment. During the fourth quarter of 2003, ASI agreed to absorb one-half or \$127,000 of the overall loss relating to this investment. As a result, the Company reduced its bad debt reserve and the corresponding provision for doubtful accounts by \$127,000. Thus, for the year ended June 30, 2003, the Company is showing a credit to expense of approximately \$118,000.

**General and administrative:**

General and administrative expenses declined overall by about \$14,000 or approximately 7.9% during fiscal 2003 compared to 2002. Declining categories included expenses such as employee travel, office, rent and telephone. Such declines amounted to approximately \$34,000. Other costs such as insurance and leased equipment expenses increased approximately \$20,000.

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### **Net loss on asset dispositions:**

During fiscal 2003 the Company wrote off its investment in certain assets and settled certain capital lease obligations related thereto. As a result, the Company recorded a total loss of approximately \$123,000 from the write off of these assets and leases. The Company recorded no such write offs in fiscal 2002.

### **Interest Expense:**

Interest expense decreased from approximately \$107,000 in 2002 to approximately \$105,000 in 2003. Average debt balances were almost equal during the last two fiscal years.

### **Net earnings in unconsolidated limited liability company:**

The net earnings attributable to the Company's 50% interest investment in the LLC are included in its Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In April 2002 the LLC entered into a Utilities Requirement Agreement (the "URA") with its largest customer. Under the terms of that Agreement, among other things, the LLC agreed to purchase certain utility assets owned by the customer and to purchase and install certain Utility Conservation Measures ("UCM") over the course of the following fiscal year. The total cost of the assets acquired and the UCM was approximately \$2,500,000. It was believed that the installation of those UCM combined with the LLC's operations and maintenance capabilities would result in the customer realizing annual savings that was initially targeted to be 5% less than the cost that the customer incurred in the previous fiscal year. But, as pre-condition for the customer agreeing to the URA, the LLC was required to guarantee those savings immediately upon signing the URA notwithstanding the fact that the vast majority of those savings could not be realized until such time as the UCM had been purchased and installed. Since the UCM were not completed and installed until May 2003, the LLC was not able to generate the level of savings required under the Agreement for the first fiscal period and therefore the LLC incurred a UCM savings obligation of \$500,000. One-half of this amount (\$250,000) is included as a deduction from net earnings from unconsolidated limited liability company in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended June 30, 2003. One half of this amount or \$250,000 has been allocated to the other member of the LLC. Were it not for this cost, the amount of profit that the Company would have earned from this investment in the year ended June 30, 2003 would have been \$286,837 compared to \$230,241 in 2002.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources:**

Since its inception in April 1998, the Company has incurred an aggregate net loss of approximately \$8,464,000 and at June 30, 2003, the Company has a working capital deficiency of approximately \$2,052,000. Approximately \$2,160,000 of the Company's current liabilities is attributable and due to related parties (primarily Armstrong and ASI). Armstrong also owns virtually all of the Company's preferred stock which amounts to an investment of approximately \$4,657,000.



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Over the last two years, the Company has made a conscious effort to reduce its costs. Nevertheless, to finance its administrative and sales development activities the Company has been forced to rely primarily on advances from Armstrong and the LLC of approximately \$573,000 in 2002 and \$610,000 in 2003. These advances are evidenced in the form of notes payable to Armstrong and to the LLC.

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Armstrong has indicated that it will not continue to provide such financing for the Company and as permanent financing is obtained for the LLC's existing projects, the availability of these equity distributions are likely to be significantly reduced. To compensate, the Company has been actively looking for alternative sources of additional equity capital. The Company has been discussing numerous alternatives with several possible sources. The Company intends to further these discussions in the coming months. These discussions may or may not lead to a definitive agreement for the Company to obtain the needed working capital to continue to support the Company's administrative and sales development activities. While the Company is confident that it will be able to execute its plans and be able to attract and retain strategic and equity partners, there can be no assurance that it will do so.

Future projects are anticipated to require debt financings as well. Historically, the Company has not had difficulty finding debt financing for its projects as the cash flows relative to the loans have been adequate to induce lenders to finance the Company's projects.

## **Controls and Procedures:**

Under the supervision and with the participation of its management, including its chief executive officer and controller, the Company has evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14 within 90 days of the filing date of this annual report. Based upon that evaluation, the chief executive officer and controller have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in timely alerting them to material information relating to the Company (including its consolidated subsidiary) required to be included in periodic SEC filings. There were no significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of this evaluation.

## *Critical Accounting Policies*

The Company has identified significant accounting policies that, as a result of the judgments, uncertainties, uniqueness and complexities of the underlying accounting standards and operations involved, could result in material changes to its financial condition or results of operations under different conditions or using different assumptions. The Company's most critical accounting policies are related to the following areas: consolidation, revenue recognition, long-term fixed assets and direct finance leases, deferred costs, concentrations of customers and the underlying credit risk.

## *Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

In December 2002, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure*. This Statement, which is effective for interim quarters ending after December 15, 2002, amends Statement No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, and provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based compensation. In addition, Statement No. 148 amends the disclosure requirements of Statement No. 123 regardless of the accounting method used to account for stock-based compensation. The Company is continuing to account for stock-based compensation of employees using the intrinsic value method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations. The enhanced disclosure provisions as defined by Statement No. 148 were effective for the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2003.

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In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46 Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities. Its purpose is to improve financial reporting for variable interest entities, off-balance sheet structures that often have highly complex arrangements. The implementation date is the fourth quarter of calendar 2003. The Company has not yet determined what effect, if any, the implementation of this Interpretation will have on its financial statements.

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In May 2003, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) issued EITF No. 01-8, Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease. This issue is effective for (a) arrangements agreed to or committed to, if earlier, after the beginning of an entity's next reporting period beginning after May 28, 2003, (b) arrangements modified after the beginning of an entity's next reporting period beginning after May 28, 2003, and (c) arrangements acquired in business combinations initiated after the beginning of an entity's next reporting period beginning after May 28, 2003. The Company has not entered into or modified any of its existing arrangements after May 28, 2003. Accordingly, this Issue has no effect on the Company's financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002.

**ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Company's financial statements and the report of Blackman Kallick Bartelstein LLP, independent auditors, with respect thereto, referred to in the Index to Financial Statements, appear elsewhere in this Form 10-KSB.

**ITEM 8. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

None.

**PART III**

**ITEM 9. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT**

The Board of Directors consists of a total of seven members, whose term of office is the earlier of one-year or until their successor is elected. The following table sets forth information concerning executive officers and directors of the Company, including their ages and positions with the Company:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
Mark A. Margason	47	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer
Gordon B. Mendelson	59	Chief Operating Officer, President, and Director
Theodore Bogard	48	Director
Don A. Etheredge	53	Director
James F. Purser	53	Director
Thomas W. Smith	45	Director
Ronald W. Cantwell	60	Director
Jerome P. Frett	53	Corporate Controller

Mark A. Margason was elected to serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Americas Power Partners, Inc. on April 19, 2001 and Chief Executive Officer of the Company on June 27, 2001. Mr. Margason previously resigned his position as Chief Executive Officer of the Company

on September 12, 2000, but continued as a Director, which he has served as since the Company's inception.

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Previously, Mr. Margason was a Vice President at Citicorp North America from 1986 to 1991, and a Vice President at Mellon Bank N.A. from 1982 to 1986. He was employed at American National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago from 1979 to 1982. Mr. Margason currently is a Director of MPI Investment Management, Inc., MPI Venture Management, LLC, and AEI Environmental, Inc.

Gordon B. Mendelson was appointed to the board of directors on April 19, 2001 and was elected President and Chief Operating Officer on June 14, 2001. Previously he was Senior Vice President Finance and Business Development of Armstrong Service, Inc. from 1999 to 2001 and, in this capacity, he consulted with the Company since January 2001. As an executive with LTV from 1995 to 1998, he lead a team responsible for developing green field manufacturing facilities in China and Trinidad, as well as being a member of the Iron Carbide Plant (Trinidad) Operating Board. From 1989 to 1995, he was director of worldwide independent power at Babcock & Wilcox Company, where his accomplishments included the purchase and development of several independent power projects totaling 150 MW. He began his professional career at Westinghouse Electric Corporation in 1966, where he worked in various managerial positions until 1988 and was responsible for total contract management of \$2 billion of international fossil and nuclear turnkey power projects. Mr. Mendelson is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association.

Theodore Bogard has been a Director of the Company since its inception and was Vice President of Project Development of the Company until October 31, 2000. Currently, Mr. Bogard is President of F. Drake and Company, Inc., an independent consulting firm that specializes in cogeneration projects. From 1996 to 1999, he was an officer of a predecessor company to the Company and was responsible for power development in South America. Prior to 1996, he was involved in real estate development and various entrepreneurial endeavors.

Don A. Etheredge was elected a Director of the Company on June 27, 2001. Since 1989, he has consulted for major utility industry out-sourcers and has been actively engaged in assessing, developing and implementing solutions in both regulated and de-regulated utility markets. In 1996, Mr. Etheredge became founder and President/CEO of ExoLink Corporation, which provides transaction and business process services to trading companies operating in competitive energy markets. He sold ExoLink in January 2003. During his career, he has also provided information systems consulting services to small and medium sized businesses engaged in agri-business, oil and gas production, and public accounting.

James F. Purser was elected a Director of the Company on June 27, 2001. Since 1997, Mr. Purser has been an independent financial consultant and a partner with Tatum CFO Partners, LLP and Chief Financial Officer of Cross Continent Auto Retailers, Inc., a publicly traded automobile-retailing firm. Prior to that, Mr. Purser was with Atmos Energy Corporation, where he served in several capacities including Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. From 1973 until 1986, Mr. Purser was employed by Southern Union Company, Inc. as Executive Vice President of Oil & Gas Operations.

Thomas W. Smith was employed as President of the Company from May 1999 to June 2001. He was elected to serve as a Director of the Company on September 13, 2000. Since January 2002, Mr. Smith has been a Vice President for Equity Office Properties. From June 2001 until January 2002, he was an independent consultant to companies in the energy field. From 1996 to 1998, Mr. Smith was a partner with Alternative Energy Consultants and from 1993 to 1995 he was Vice President of Business Development for Polsky Energy Corporation. Previous experience includes Vice President Sales and Marketing for U. S. Turbine, Vice President Sales and Marketing of International Power Technology, and Sales Manager of Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

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Ronald W. Cantwell was elected as a Director of the Company in October 2002. Mr. Cantwell is a certified public accountant and a former tax partner at Ernst & Young. Since 1988, he has served as President of The Catalyst Group, Inc., an independent power company controlled by Brascan Corporation, a Canadian-based diversified holding company. He has also served as the Managing Member of Trilon Dominion Partners, LLC, a venture capital fund he established in 1995 with a subsidiary of Dominion Resources, one of America's leading energy companies.

Jerome P. Frett, a certified public accountant, has served as Controller of the Company since June 2002. Prior to that time from 1995 until 2002, Mr. Frett performed financial consulting work and also served as the Controller and General Manager for Art Wire Works, LLC, a manufacturing company in Chicago, IL. From 1985 until 1995, Mr. Frett was a consultant to financially troubled companies and in 1988 he co-founded Stratford Partners, Inc. a firm that specializes in providing services to financially troubled companies. From 1976 until 1985, Mr. Frett was the Controller for North American Car Corporation, a railcar leasing company. He was employed as a senior auditor for Arthur Andersen & Co. from 1972 until 1976.

There are no family relationships between any of the directors or officers of the Company.

**ITEM 10. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

The following summary compensation table sets forth the total annual compensation paid or accrued by the Company to or for the account of the chief executive officer and each other executive officer whose total cash compensation exceeded \$100,000 for any of the past two fiscal years:

**SUMMARY COMPENSATION****TABLE****Annual Compensation**

<b>Name and Principal Position</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Bonus</b>	<b>Other Compensation</b>
Mark A. Margason Chairman & CEO	(1) 2003	\$ 180,000		
	2002	\$ 180,000		
Gordon B. Mendelson COO and President	(2) 2003	\$ 180,000		
	2002	\$ 180,000		
Tom F. Perles Chief Accounting Officer	(3) 2003			
	2002	\$ 110,000		

- (1) Mark A. Margason was elected CEO of the Company on June 27, 2001. Mr. Margason previously resigned his position as CEO of the Company on September 11, 2000, but continued as a Director. Mr. Margason was compensated during this period under a three year Independent Contractor Agreement dated July 1, 1999, which provided for monthly compensation of \$10,000 and an expense allowance of \$3,000 per month. The Independent Contractor Agreement was terminated in November 2000. Effective July 1, 2001, Mr. Margason's annual compensation was established at \$180,000. On October 1, 2001, the Company entered into an agreement to lease Mr. Margason's services from MPI Venture Management, Inc. for \$16,875 per month. This includes a base salary of \$15,000 per month and employee benefits of \$1,875 per month.





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- (2) Gordon B. Mendelson was elected president and COO on June 14, 2001, and received no compensation during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001. Effective July 1, 2001, the Company entered into an agreement to lease Mr. Mendelson's services from Armstrong International, Inc. for \$16,875 per month. This includes a base salary of \$15,000 per month and employee benefits of \$1,875 per month.
- (3) Tom F. Perles was CFO of MPI Ventrue Management, LLC. He served as CFO of the Company under a leased employee arrangement until January 1, 2002. He then became an employee of the Company until termination on June 15, 2002. Mr. Perles had options to purchase common stock of the Company. Since Mr. Perles did not choose to exercise those options, they terminated of their own accord on September 15, 2002.

There were no individual grants of stock options made by the Company during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003 to executive officers.

**Compensation of Directors:**

In October 2002, one of the outside directors received options to purchase 20,000 shares of the Company's common stock. The option price was \$0.50 for each share. AT the time of the grant, the Company's common stock was not being traded and therefore the stock had no market value.

**ITEM 11. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT**

The following table sets forth certain information as of June 30, 2003 regarding the beneficial ownership of the Company's capital stock for (a) each person known by the Company to own beneficially five percent or more of its voting capital stock, and (b) each director and executive officer listed in the Summary Compensation Table (earning in excess of \$100,000 annually). Except pursuant to applicable community property laws and except as otherwise indicated, each shareholder identified in the table possesses sole voting and investment power with respect to his or her shares. Unless otherwise indicated, the address of the beneficial owners is:

c/o Americas Power Partners, Inc., 710 North York Road, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521.

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Name and Address of Beneficial Owner		Percent of		Common Stock	Percent of Stock
		Preferred Stock	Preferred Stock		
<b>Five Percent Stockholders:</b>					
Armstrong International, Inc.	(1)	4,931,230	77.2%	4,931,230	40.9%
2081 S. East Ocean Blvd.					
Stuart, FL 34996					
Merrill Armstrong	(2)	970,183	15.2%	970,183	12.0%
2081 S. East Ocean Blvd.					
Stuart, FL 34996					
Armstrong International, Inc.	(3)	333,807	5.2%	333,807	4.5%
Employees Pension Plan					
2081 S. East Ocean Blvd.					
Stuart, FL 34996					
David W. Pequet	(4)			2,310,233	31.1%
710 North York Road					
Hinsdale, IL 60521					
MPI Venture Management, LLC	(5)			1,899,737	25.5%
710 North York Road					
Hinsdale, IL 60521					
<b>Officers and Directors:</b>					
Theodore Bogard				808,269	11.3%
Mark Margason	(6)			2,310,235	31.1%
Gordon Mendelson	(7)			602,000	7.8%
Thomas Smith				900,000	12.6%
Don Etheredge	(8)			20,000	0.3%
James Purser	(8)			20,000	0.3%
Ronald Cantwell	(9)			70,000	1.0%
<b>Officers and Directors as a group</b>					
(includes seven individuals)	(10)			4,730,504	58.4%
710 North York Road					
Hinsdale, IL 60521					

(1) The shares of Common Stock and percent thereof reported for Armstrong International, Inc. include 4,931,230 shares of Preferred Stock held by the corporation that are convertible into an equal number of shares of Common Stock.

(2) The shares of Common Stock and percent thereof reported for Merrill Armstrong include 970,183 shares of Preferred Stock held by such person that are convertible into an equal number of shares of Common Stock.

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(3) The shares of Comm