CARBO CERAMICS INC Form SC 13G February 10, 2004

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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SCHEDULE 13G
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No) *
Carbo Ceramics Inc.
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
140781105
(CUSIP Number)
December 31, 2003
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:
[x] Rule 13d-1(b) [_] Rule 13d-1(c) [_] Rule 13d-1(d)
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1	NAME OF REPOR		PERSON TIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON	
	Columbia	Wanger	Asset Management, L.P. 36-3820584	
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3	SEC USE ONLY			
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	Delaware			
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WAM Acqu	isition GP, Inc.			
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Delaware				
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NUMBER OF	None			
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AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

791,000

10 CHECK	BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
No	t Applicable [_]
 11 PERCEN	T OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)
5.	1%
 12 TYPE O	F REPORTING PERSON*
IV	
Item 1(a)	Name of Issuer:
	Carbo Ceramics, Inc.
Item 1(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
	6565 MacArthur Boulevard Suite 1050
	Irving, TX 75039
Item 2(a)	Name of Person Filing:
	Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P. ("WAM") WAM Acquisition GP, Inc., the general partner of WAM
	("WAM GP") Columbia Acorn Trust ("Acorn")
Item 2(b)	Address of Principal Business Office:
	WAM, WAM GP, and Acorn are all located at:
	227 West Monroe Street, Suite 3000 Chicago, Illinois 60606
Item 2(c)	Citizenship:
	WAM is a Delaware limited partnership; WAM GP is a Delawar corporation; Acorn is a Massachusetts business trust.
Item 2(d)	Title of Class of Securities:
	Common Stock
Item 2(e)	CUSIP Number:
	140781105
Item 3	Type of Person:

- (d) Acorn is an Investment Company under section 8 of the Investment Company Act.
- (e) WAM is an Investment Adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; WAM GP is the General Partner of the Investment Adviser.

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Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2003):

(a) Amount owned "beneficially" within the meaning of rule 13d-3:

1,131,000

(b) Percent of class:

7.3 % (based on 15,589,382 shares outstanding as of October 23, 2003).

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: none
 - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,131,000
 - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: none
 - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct disposition of: 1,131,000

Not Applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

The shares reported herein have been acquired on behalf of discretionary clients of WAM, including Acorn. Persons other than WAM and WAM GP are entitled to receive all dividends from, and proceeds from the sale of, those shares. Acorn is the only such person known to be entitled to all dividends from, and all proceeds from the sale of, shares reported herein to the extent of more than 5% of the class.

Not Applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

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Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, ${\tt I}$ certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 10, 2004

The undersigned corporation, on the date above written, agrees and consents to the joint filing on its behalf of this Schedule 13G in connection with its beneficial ownership of the security reported herein.

WAM Acquisition GP, Inc. for itself and as general partner of COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer Senior Vice President and

Secretary

The undersigned trust, on the date above written, agrees and consents to the joint filing on its behalf of this Schedule 13G in connection with its beneficial ownership of the security reported herein.

COLUMBIA ACORN TRUST

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement dated as of February 10, 2004 by and

among Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P., WAM Acquisition GP, Inc., and Columbia Acorn Trust.

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EXHIBIT 1

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing of the Schedule $13\mathrm{G}$ to which this Agreement is attached.

Dated: February 10, 2004

WAM Acquisition GP, Inc.

for itself and as general partner of COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer Senior Vice President and Secretary

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Secretary

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