ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO /DE/ Form SC 13G/A February 11, 2004

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

#### SCHEDULE 13G/A

(Rule 13d-102)

# INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT

#### TO RULES 13d-1(b), (c), AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED

#### PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)

(AMENDMENT 3)

#### ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO.

(NAME OF ISSUER)

#### COMMON STOCK

(Title of Class of Securities)

#### 002896207

(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)

CUSIP No. 002896207		13G/A	Page 1 of 3 pages	
1. Names of reporting	persons	J.P.Morgan Chase & Co.		
I.R.S. IDENTIFICA (ENTITIES ONLY		0. OF ABOVE PERSONS	13-2624428	
2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) GROUP*				
			(b)	
3. SEC USE ON	LY			
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware				
NUMBER OF	5.	SOLE VOTING POWER	1,607,334	
SHARES				
BENEFICIALLY	6.	SHARED VOTING POWER	2,025	
OWNED BY				
EACH	7.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	2,286,835	
REPORTING				

PERSON WITH 8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE 170,477 POWER

# 9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,461,687

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

CERTAIN SHARES

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

2.5%

## 12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

ItemName of Issuer:1 (a) .

#### ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO.

- **Item** Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
- 1(b).

#### 6301 FITCH PATH

#### NEW ALBANY, OH 43054

**Item** Name of Person Filing:

2(a).

J.P. MORGAN CHASE & CO.

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Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence: Item 2(b). 270 PARK AVE NEW YORK, NY 10017 Citizenship Item 2(c). Delaware Title of Class of Securities: Item 2(d). COMMON STOCK Unless otherwise noted, security being reported is common stock **CUSIP** Number: 002896207 Item 2(e). If this Statement is Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) Item 3 Or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a : Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange (a) Act; (b) Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act; (c) Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act; (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act; An investment adviser in accordance with Rule (e) 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);

(f)

An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with

Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);

- (g) X A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an Investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company act;
- (j) Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).
- If this statement is filed pursuant to X Rule 13d-1(b), check this box.

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# Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and

Percentage of the class of securities of issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

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2,461,687
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## Including

0 shares where there is a Right to Acquire.

(b) Percent of class:

2.5%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i)	Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:	1,607,334
(ii)	Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:	2,025
(iii)	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:	2,286,835
(iv)	Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:	170,477

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class. YES

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date

hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more

than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. ( X )

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

J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. is the beneficial owner of

2,461,687 shares of the

issuer's common stock on behalf of other persons known to have one or more of

the following:

the right to receive dividends for such securities; the power to direct the receipt of dividends from such securities; the right to receive the proceeds from the sale of such securities; the right to direct the receipt of proceeds from the sale of such securities;

No such person is known to have an interest in more than 5% of the class of securities reported herein unless such person is identified below.

Item	7.		Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the		
			Security being reported on by the Parent Holding Company.		
This notice is filed on behalf of J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. and its wholly owned					
Subsidiar	y (ies),				
Chase Manhattan Bank USA, National Association					
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK					
J.P. Morgan Investment Management Inc.					
Item	8.	Identification and Not Applicable	Classification of Members of the Group.		
Item	9.	Notice of Dissolu Not Applicable	tion of Group.		
Item 10.		Certifications			

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief,

the securities referred to above 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, I certify that the

information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: FEBRUARY 11, 2004 J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.

By: /s/ Margaret R. Rubin

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Margaret R. Rubin

**Corporate Compliance** 

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement

is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of

a person by his authorized representative (other than an executive officer or general

partner of the filing person), evidence of the representative's authority to sign on

behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement, provided, however, that a

power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the commission may

be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the

the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.