SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549
SCHEDULE 13G
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.: 3 )*
ROUGE INDS INC CLASS A
(Name of Issuer)
COMMON STOCK
(Title of Class of Securities)
779088103
(CUSIP NUMBER)
December 31, 2002
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.
The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).
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CUSIP No. 779088103 13G
1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON
Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (on behalf of Merrill Lynch Investment Managers (MLIM"))**
2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* Joint Filing
(a) [ ] (b) [ ]
3. SEC USE ONLY
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

NONE

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

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UNITED STATES

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6. SHARED VOTING POWER
2,552,000
7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
2,552,000
9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
2,552,000 (ownership disclaimed pursuant to Section 13d-4 of the 1934 Act)
10. CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
16.89%
12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
HC, CO
    *SEE INSTRUCTION BEFORE FILING OUT!
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CUSIP No. 779088103
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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
   S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON
ML GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND, INC.
2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* Joint Filing
(a) [ ]
(b) [ ]
3. SEC USE ONLY
4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Maryland
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH
5. SOLE VOTING POWER
NONE
6. SHARED VOTING POWER
2,442,500
7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
2,442,500
9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
2,442,500 (ownership disclaimed pursuant to Section 13d-4 of the 1934 Act)
10. CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
16.17%
12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
HC, CO
    *SEE INSTRUCTION BEFORE FILING OUT!
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14. 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)
               SCHEDULE 13G
ITEM 1 (a) Name of Issuer:
          ______
         ROUGE INDS INC CLASS A (the "Company")
ITEM 1 (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
         3001 Miller Rd.
         PO Box 1699
         Dearborn, MI 48121-1699
ITEM 2 (a) Name of Persons Filing:
         Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.
          (On behalf of Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM")
         ML GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND, INC.
ITEM 2 (b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence:
          _____
Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.
(on behalf of Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM"))
World Financial Center, North Tower
250 Vesey Street
New York, NY 10381
ML GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND, INC.
800 Scudders Mill Road
Plainsboro, NJ 08536
ITEM 2 (c) Citizenship:
See Item 4 of Cover Pages
ITEM 2 (d) Title of Class Securities:
Common Stock
ITEM 2 (e) CUSIP NUMBER:
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See Cover Page
ITEM 3
   If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or
13d-2(c), check whether the person filing is a:
(a) [ ] Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act,
(b) [ ] Bank as defined in Section 3(a) (6) of the Act,
(c) [ ] Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a) (19) of the Act,
(d) [ ] Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment
        Company Act of 1940,
(e) [X] Investment Adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (E),
(f) [ ] Employee Benefit Plan or Endowment Fund in accordance with
        Rule 13d-1(b) (ii) (F),
(g) [X] Parent Holding Company or Control Person in accordance with
       Rule 13d-1(b) (ii) (G); see Item 7,
(h) [ ] A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal
        Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813),
(i) [ ] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an
        investment company under Section 3(c) (14) of the Investment
        Company Act of 1940,
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(j) [ ] Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (J).

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ITEM 4 Ownership
(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:
    See Item 9 of Cover Pages.
(b) Percent of Class:
    See Item 11 of Cover Pages
(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
     (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:
         See Item 5 of Cover pages
    (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:
        See Item 6 of Cover pages
   (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:
         See Item 7 of Cover pages
    (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:
        See Item 8 of Cover pages
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ITEM 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.
       ______
If this statment 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.
  Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. ("ML&Co.") is a parent holding company.
Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM") is an operating division
of ML&Co.'s indirectly owned asset management subsidiaries. Certain of
these subsidiaries hold certain shares of the security which is the
subject of this report. (See Item 7).
ITEM 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which
  Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company
  or Control Person.
                 ._____
   Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. ("ML&Co.") is a parent holding company.
Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM") is an operating division
of ML&Co. consisting of ML&Co.'s indirectly-owned asset management
subsidiaries. The following asset management subsidiaries hold certain
shares of the common stock, which is the subject of this 13G filing:
MERRILL LYNCH INVESTMENT MANAGERS, L.P.
ITEM 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.
Not Applicable
ITEM 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group.
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By signing below each of the undersigned certifies that, to the best Of their 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 such securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant

Not Applicable

ITEM 10 Certification

in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

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Signature.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: January 03, 2003

Merrill Lynch & Co, Inc. (on behalf of Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM"))

/s/ Thomas D. Jones, III

Name: Thomas D. Jones, III Title: Attorney-In-Fact\*

ML GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND, INC.

/s/ Thomas D. Jones, III

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Name: Thomas D. Jones, III
Title: Attorney-In-Fact\*

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\*Signed pursuant to a power of attorney, dated January 25, 1999, included as Exhibit B to Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Merrill Lynch & Co, Inc. (on behalf of Merrill Lynch Asset Management Group ("AMG")) - now known as Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM")

\*\*Signed pursuant to a power of attorney, dated January 21, 2000, included as Exhibit B to Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Merrill Lynch & Co, Inc. (on behalf of Merrill Lynch Asset Management Group ("AMG")) - now known as Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM")

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Merrill Lynch Investment Managers ("MLIM") of ML&Co. is comprised of the following legal entities: Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, L.P. ("MLIMLP"), doing business as Merrill Lynch Investment Managers; QA Advisers, LLC ("QA") doing business as Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Quantitative Advisers; Fund Asset Management, L.P., doing business as Fund Asset Management ("FAM"); Merrill Lynch Asset Management U.K. Limited ("MLAM UK"); Merrill Lynch (Suisse) Investment Management Limited ("MLS"); Merrill Lynch Investment Managers International Limited ("MLIMI"); Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, Ltd. Merrill Lynch Investment Managers (Asia Pacific Limited); Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Limited (Australia); Merrill Lynch Investment Managers (Isle of Man) Limited; Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Asia Limited; Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Kapitalanlagegesellschaft MBH; Munich London Investment Management, Ltd.; Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Ltda.; Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Japan Limited; Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Canada, Inc.; DSP Merrill Lynch Asset Management (India) Limited; PT Merrill Lynch Indonesia; Merrill Lynch Phatra Securities Co., Ltd.; Merrill Lynch Global Asset Management, Limited; Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Channel Islands Limited; Mercury Asset Management International Channel Islands Limited ("MAMCI"); Grosvenor Venture Managers Limited; and Merrill Lynch Fund Managers Limited. Each of MLIM LP, FAM, MLAM UK, MAMCI, QA, MLS, and MLIMI is

an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, which acts as investment adviser operating under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the United States. The investment advisers that comprise MLIM exercise voting and investment powers over portfolio securities independently from other direct and indirect subsidiaries of ML&Co.