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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

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

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2010 OR "TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES **EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from to

Commission file number 1-278

EMERSON ELECTRIC CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Missouri (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

8000 W. Florissant Ave. P.O. Box 4100 St. Louis, Missouri (Address of principal executive offices)

> Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 553-2000 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

63136

Title of each class

Common Stock of \$0.50 par value per share

New York Stock Exchange

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

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes "No x

43-0259330 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(Zip Code)

which registered

Name of each exchange on

Chicago Stock Exchange

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 x No⁻⁻

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files) Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not 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-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer "

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes "No x

Aggregate market value of the voting stock held by nonaffiliates of the registrant as of close of business on March 31, 2010: \$37.8 billion.

Common stock outstanding at October 31, 2010: 752,657,107 shares.

Documents Incorporated by Reference

1. Portions of Emerson Electric Co. 2010 Annual Report to Stockholders (Parts I and II).

2. Portions of Emerson Electric Co. Notice of 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement (Part III).

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PART I

Item 1. Business

Emerson was incorporated in Missouri in 1890, and has grown from a regional manufacturer of electric motors and fans into a diversified global technology company. Having expanded its product lines through internal growth and acquisitions, Emerson today is designing and supplying product technology and delivering engineering services and solutions in a wide range of industrial, commercial and consumer markets around the world.

Emerson is organized into the following business segments, based on the nature of the products and services rendered:

- Process Management providing measurement, control and diagnostic capabilities for automated industrial processes producing items such as foods, fuels, medicines and power.
 - Industrial Automation bringing integrated manufacturing solutions to diverse industries worldwide.
- Network Power providing power conditioning and reliability and environmental control to help keep telecommunication systems, data networks and other critical business applications continuously operating.
- Climate Technologies enhancing household and commercial comfort as well as food safety and energy efficiency through air conditioning and refrigeration technology.
- Tools and Storage providing tools for professionals and homeowners, home and commercial storage systems, and appliance solutions.

Sales, earnings before interest and income taxes, and total assets attributable to each segment for the three years ended September 30, 2010, are set forth in Note 16 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the 2010 Annual Report, which note is hereby incorporated by reference. Sales by segment in 2010 were Process Management 28 percent, Industrial Automation 20 percent, Network Power 27 percent, Climate Technologies 17 percent, and Tools and Storage 8 percent. Sales by geographic destination in 2010 were United States 43 percent, Europe 21 percent, Asia 23 percent and other regions 13 percent. Information with respect to acquisition and divestiture activities and rationalization of operations by Emerson is set forth in Notes 3 and 5 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the 2010 Annual Report, which notes are hereby incorporated by reference.

PROCESS MANAGEMENT

The Process Management segment offers customers product technology as well as engineering and project management services for precision control, monitoring and asset optimization of oil and gas reservoirs and plants that produce power or that process or treat such items as oil, natural gas and petrochemicals; food and beverages; pulp and paper; pharmaceuticals; and municipal water supplies. This array of products and services helps customers optimize their plant capabilities in the areas of plant safety and reliability, and product quality and output. In 2010, sales by geographic destination for this segment were United States 33 percent, Europe 23 percent, Asia 23 percent and other regions 21 percent.

Process Management Systems and Software

Process Management systems and software control plant processes by collecting and analyzing information from measurement devices in the plant, and then using that information to adjust valves, pumps, motors, drives and other control hardware for maximum product quality and process efficiency. Software capabilities also include upstream oil and gas reservoir simulation and modeling for production

optimization. Emerson's process control systems can be extended wirelessly to support a mobile workforce with handheld tools/communicators, provide site-wide location tracking of people and assets, enable video monitoring and communicate with wireless field devices, thereby increasing the information available to operators.

Measurement and Analytical Instrumentation

Measurement instrumentation measures the physical properties of liquids or gases in a process stream, such as pressure, temperature, level, or rate and amount of flow, and communicates this information to the control system. Measurement technologies provided by Emerson include Coriolis direct mass flow, magnetic flow, vortex flow, ultrasonic flow, differential pressure, ultralow-flow fluid measurement, temperature sensors and radar-based tank gauging. Emerson measurement products are also often used in custody transfer applications, such as the transfer of gasoline from a storage tank to a tanker truck, where precise metering of the amount of fluid transferred helps ensure accurate asset management. Complementary products include onshore and subsea multi-phase meters, wetgas meters, downhole gauges and corrosion/erosion instruments.

Analytical instrumentation analyzes the chemical composition of process fluids and emissions to enhance quality and efficiency, as well as environmental compliance. Emerson's analytical technologies include process gas chromatographs, in-situ oxygen analyzers, infrared gas and process fluid analyzers, combustion analyzers and systems, and analyzers that measure pH, conductivity and water quality.

Emerson also provides these same technologies with wireless communication capability. This allows customers to monitor processes or equipment that were previously not measurable (remote, moving/rotating) or not economical to measure due to the cost and difficulty of running wires in industrial process plants.

Valves, Actuators and Regulators

Control valves respond to commands from the control system by continuously and precisely modulating the flow of process fluids to provide maximum process efficiency and product quality. Emerson provides sliding stem valves, rotary valves, butterfly valves and related valve actuators and controllers. Emerson also provides a line of industrial and residential regulators, whose function is to reduce the pressure of fluids such as liquid natural gas and liquid petroleum gas for transfer from high-pressure supply lines to lower pressure systems.

PlantWeb® Digital Plant Architecture

Emerson's PlantWeb digital plant architecture combines the technologies described above with the advantages of "intelligent" plant devices (valves and measurement instruments that have advanced diagnostic capabilities), open communication standards (non-proprietary wired and wireless digital protocols allowing the plant devices and the control system to "talk" with one another) and integrated modular software, not only to better control the process but also to collect and analyze valuable information about plant assets and processes. This capability gives customers the ability to detect or predict changes in equipment and process performance and the impact they can have on plant operations. The PlantWeb architecture provides the insight to improve plant availability and safety, and also furnishes a platform to continually improve asset management and standards compliance, and to reduce startup, operations and maintenance costs.

Industry Services and Solutions

Emerson's array of process automation and asset optimization services can improve automation project implementation time and costs, increase process availability and productivity, and reduce total cost of ownership. Global industry centers offer engineering and project management services to help customers extract maximum performance and

reliability from their process equipment and automation assets. These centers serve industries such as oil and gas, pulp and paper, chemical, power, food and beverage, and life sciences. They also assist customers in diagnosing equipment problems and plant inefficiencies.

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Distribution

The principal worldwide distribution channel for the Process Management segment is a direct sales force, although a network of independent sales representatives, and to a lesser extent, independent distributors purchasing these products for resale are also utilized. The majority of sales in the United States are made through a direct sales force with the remainder primarily through independent sales representatives. In Europe and Asia, sales are almost exclusively made through a direct sales force with the remainder split evenly between independent sales representatives and distributors.

Brands

Service/trademarks and trade names within the Process Management segment include Emerson Process Management, AMS Suite, Baumann, Bettis, Bristol, CSI, Damcos, Daniel, DeltaV, EIM, El-O-Matic, Enable, Epro, Fisher, Go Switch, Guardian, Micro Motion, Ovation, PlantWeb, RMS, ROC, Rosemount, Roxar, Smart Process, SureService, Tescom, TopWorx and Valvetop.

INDUSTRIAL AUTOMATION

The Industrial Automation segment provides integrated manufacturing solutions to our customers at the source of manufacturing their own products. Products include motors, power transmission solutions, alternators, fluid controls and materials joining equipment. Through these offerings, Emerson brings technology and enhanced quality to the customer's final product. In 2010, sales by geographic destination for this segment were United States 37 percent, Europe 38 percent, Asia 16 percent and other regions 9 percent.

Motors and Drives

Emerson provides a broad line of drives and electric motors that are used in a wide variety of manufacturing operations and products, including production assembly lines, escalators in shopping malls and supermarket checkout stations. Products in this category include alternating current (AC) and direct current (DC) electrical variable speed drives, servo motors, pump motors, drive control systems, integral horsepower motors (1 HP and above), fractional horsepower motors (less than 1 HP), hermetic motors and gear drives.

Power Transmission

Emerson's power transmission products include belt and chain drives, helical and worm gearing, gear motors, motor sheaves, pulleys, mounted and unmounted bearings, couplings, chains and sprockets. They are used to transmit power mechanically in a wide range of manufacturing and material handling operations and products. Our design and application experience enable us to provide both standard and customized automation and power transmission solutions to our customers.

Power Generation

Emerson provides alternators (low, medium and high voltage) for use in diesel or gas powered generator sets, as well as high frequency alternators, AC motor/generator sets, traction generators, wind power generators, wind turbine pitch control systems and solar photovoltaic converters.

Fluid Power and Fluid Control

Products in this category control and power the flow of fluids (liquids and gases) in manufacturing operations such as automobile assembly, food processing, textile manufacturing and petrochemical processing. They include solenoid and pneumatic valves, valve position indicators, pneumatic cylinders, air preparation equipment, and pressure, vacuum and temperature switches.

Materials Joining and Precision Cleaning

Emerson supplies both plastics joining technologies and equipment, and metal welding and joining processes to a diversified manufacturing customer base, including automotive, medical devices and toys. The Company also provides precision cleaning and liquid processing solutions to industrial and commercial manufacturers. Products include ultrasonic joining and cleaning equipment; linear and orbital vibration welding equipment; systems for hot plate welding, spin welding and laser welding; and aqueous, semi-aqueous and vapor cleaning systems.

Electrical Distribution

Emerson's majority-owned EGS Electrical Group joint venture with SPX Corporation manufactures a broad line of components for current- and noncurrent-carrying electrical distribution devices. These products include conduit and cable fittings, plugs and receptacles, industrial lighting, and enclosures and controls. Products in this category are used in hazardous, industrial, commercial and construction environments, such as oil and gas drilling and production sites, pulp and paper mills and petrochemical plants.

Distribution

On a worldwide basis, the primary distribution channel for the Industrial Automation segment is through direct sales forces. Most products sold worldwide to original equipment manufacturers are through a direct sales force. Independent distributors constitute the next significant sales channel, mostly to reach end users. To a lesser extent, independent sales representatives are utilized, particularly for electrical distribution products in the United States.

Brands

Service/trademarks and trade names within the Industrial Automation segment include Emerson Industrial Automation, Appleton, ASCO, ASCO Joucomatic, ASCO Numatics, Branson Ultrasonics, Browning, Control Techniques, Emerson Power Transmission, Kato Engineering, Kop-Flex, Leroy Somer, McGill, Morse, O-Z/Gedney, SSB Wind Systems, System Plast and Trident.

NETWORK POWER

Emerson's Network Power segment designs, manufactures, installs and maintains products providing "grid to chip" electric power conditioning, power reliability and environmental control for telecommunications networks, data centers and other critical applications, and also provides comprehensive data center infrastructure management solutions. Products in this segment include uninterruptible power systems, embedded power supplies, precision cooling and inbound power systems, integrated data center monitoring and control devices and software, plus 24-hour service. In 2010, sales by geographic destination for this segment were United States 40 percent, Europe 16 percent, Asia 34 percent and other regions 10 percent.

Power Systems

Emerson supplies uninterruptible AC and DC power systems, which provide reliable, conditioned power to telecommunication networks, data centers and other critical equipment in the event of a blackout or line surges and spikes. Power Systems' products range from stand-alone units to complete systems incorporating rectifiers, distribution units, surge protection, batteries and system supervision.

Embedded Power

Embedded power supplies are installed by original equipment manufacturers to convert or condition power for microprocessors and peripherals in a wide range of telecommunication, health care, computer and industrial applications using standard or custom AC/DC or DC/DC designs. They are also used in consumer products for chargers and power adaptors.

Embedded Computing

Embedded Computing designs and develops embedded computer systems for original equipment manufacturers and systems integrators serving telecommunications, defense, aerospace, medical and industrial automation end markets. Products range from communication platforms, blades and modules to enabling software and professional services.

Precision Cooling

Emerson's precision cooling products provide temperature and humidity control for computers, telecommunications and other sensitive equipment. These products range from 14,000 to 4 million BTUs in capacity and are available in up-flow, down-flow and overhead configurations.

Inbound Power Systems

Emerson inbound power technology provides reliable power systems which automatically transfer critical application loads from a utility to emergency backup generators in the event of a blackout or brownout. Products include automatic transfer switches, paralleling and synchronizing gear and related distribution equipment and control systems.

Data Center Infrastructure Management

Emerson provides comprehensive data center management solutions through server access technologies that enable access, monitoring and control of the information technology infrastructure and provide linkage with data center operations.

Connectivity Solutions

Emerson's connectivity products serve the needs of the wireless communications, telephone and data network, CATV, defense, security systems and health care industries and other industrial customers globally with a broad range of radio frequency, microwave and fiber optic interconnect components and assemblies.

Service and Site Operations

Emerson staffs Energy Operation Centers in more than 30 countries, and deploys field service personnel worldwide to assist customers in managing their network support systems. Our services include on-site operations management, energy consumption monitoring, preventive maintenance, electrical testing, remote monitoring and management and 24-hour service capability.

Distribution

The Network Power segment sells primarily through worldwide direct sales forces, particularly in Europe and Asia. The remainder of sales is handled by independent sales representatives, particularly in the United States, and independent distributors.

Brands

Service/trademarks and trade names within the Network Power segment include Emerson Network Power, Aperture, Artesyn, ASCO Power Technologies, Astec, Avocent, Chloride, Knürr, Liebert, Liebert Services, Netspan, Netsure, Semflex, Stratos and Trompeter.

CLIMATE TECHNOLOGIES

The Climate Technologies segment provides products and services for all areas of the climate control industry, including residential, commercial and industrial heating and air conditioning, and commercial and industrial refrigeration. Our technology enables homeowners and businesses to better manage their heating, air conditioning and refrigeration systems for improved control and lower energy bills. This segment also provides services that digitally control and remotely monitor refrigeration units in grocery stores and other food distribution outlets to enhance freshness and food safety. In 2010, sales by geographic destination for this segment were United States 54 percent, Europe 13 percent, Asia 23 percent and other regions 10 percent.

Residential and Commercial Heating and Air Conditioning

Emerson provides a full range of heating and air conditioning products that help reduce operational and energy costs and create comfortable environments in all types of buildings. These products include reciprocating and scroll air conditioning compressors, including an ultra-efficient residential scroll compressor with two stages of cooling capacity; standard and programmable thermostats; monitoring equipment and electronic controls for gas and electric heating systems; gas valves for furnaces and water heaters; nitride ignition systems for furnaces; sensors and thermistors for home appliances; and temperature sensors and controls.

Commercial and Industrial Refrigeration

Emerson's technology is incorporated into equipment to refrigerate food and beverages in supermarkets, convenience stores, food service operations and refrigerated trucks and transport containers. Our refrigeration products are also used in a wide variety of industrial applications, including medical applications, food processing and cold storage. These products include reciprocating, scroll and screw compressors; precision flow controls; system diagnostics and controls that provide precise temperature management; and environmental control systems.

Services and Solutions

Emerson services and solutions enable global customers to optimize the performance of facilities including large-scale retailers, supermarkets, convenience stores and food services facilities. By providing expertise in air conditioning, refrigeration and lighting control, Emerson performs as a complete facility manager for its customers. The Company's expertise allows customers to reduce energy and maintenance costs, thereby improving overall facility uptime. In addition to industry-leading controls, products include facility design and project management, commissioning services, facility monitoring services and energy modeling and consultancy.

Distribution

Climate Technologies segment sales, primarily to original equipment manufacturers and end users, are made predominately through worldwide direct sales force networks. The remaining sales are primarily through independent distributor networks throughout the world.

Brands

Service/trademarks and trade names within the Climate Technologies segment include Emerson Climate Technologies, Clive Samuels & Associates, Computer Process Controls, Copeland, Design Services Network, Dixell, Emerson Climate Technologies Distribution Services, Emerson Climate Technologies Educational Services, Emerson Retail Services, Fusite, Therm-O-Disc, Vilter and White-Rodgers.

TOOLS AND STORAGE

Emerson's Tools and Storage segment (formerly Appliance and Tools; renamed subsequent to the Company's sale of its appliance motors and U.S. commercial and industrial motors businesses) includes a broad range of tools, storage products and appliance solutions. In 2010, sales by geographic destination for this segment were United States 80 percent, Europe 7 percent, Asia 4 percent and other regions 9 percent.

Professional and Do-It-Yourself Tools

Our pipe-working tools are used by plumbing and mechanical professionals to install and repair piping systems. These tools include pipe wrenches, pipe cutters, pipe threading and roll grooving equipment; a time-saving system that joins tubing through mechanical crimping; drain cleaners; diagnostic systems including closed-circuit television pipe inspection and locating equipment; and tubing tools. Other professional tools include water jetters, wet-dry vacuums, commercial vacuums, rolling storage boxes, truck work boxes, bolt cutters, and van and truck ladder racks. Do-it-yourself tools, available at home improvement retail outlets, include drain cleaning equipment, pipe and tube working tools, and wet-dry vacuums.

Storage Solutions

Emerson provides a wide variety of freestanding, fixed and mobile storage products for residential, commercial, health care and food service applications. Our products for the home include wall-mounted and freestanding shelving systems, cabinet and closet organizers, home office storage, and drawer systems and containers, available in wire, stainless steel and laminate. Our storage solutions also help commercial customers utilize space in the most efficient manner. These solutions include storage and display shelving, stock-picking and kitting carts, cabinets, totes, bins, workstations, and merchandising and inventory storage racks. Products provided to the health care industry assist in medical response and treatment; they include emergency and operating room carts, medication carts, polymer and wire shelving systems, and sterile worktables. Our food service equipment helps meet the storage needs of the food service and hospitality industries, such as restaurants and hotels. This equipment includes polymer and wire storage systems, busing carts, pan and tray racks, transport carts and workstations.

Appliances and Components

Emerson provides a number of appliance solutions, including residential and commercial food waste disposers, ceiling fans, instant hot water dispensers and compact electric water heaters.

Distribution

The principal worldwide distribution channels for the Tools and Storage segment are distributors and direct sales forces. Professional tools are sold almost exclusively worldwide through distributors. Independent sales representatives are utilized to a lesser extent, particularly for storage solutions. Appliance solutions are sold almost exclusively through direct sales force networks.

Brands

Service/trademarks and trade names within the Tools and Storage segment include Emerson, Emerson Appliance Solutions, Emerson Professional Tools, Emerson Storage Solutions, ClosetMaid, Flo Healthcare, InSinkErator, Knaack, Lionville, MedDispense, METRO, ProTeam, RIDGID and Weather Guard.

PRODUCTION

Emerson utilizes various production operations and methods. The principal production operations are metal stamping, forming, casting, machining, welding, plating, heat treating, painting and assembly. In addition, Emerson uses specialized production operations, including automatic and semiautomatic testing, automated material handling and storage, ferrous and nonferrous machining and special furnaces for heat treating and foundry applications. Management believes the equipment, machinery and tooling used in these processes are of modern design and well maintained.

RAW MATERIALS

Emerson's major requirements for basic raw materials include steel, copper, cast iron, electronics, aluminum and brass, and to a lesser extent, plastics and other petroleum-based chemicals. Emerson has multiple sources of supply for each of its major requirements and is not significantly dependent on any one or a few suppliers. Although recent high prices for some raw materials have caused pricing pressures for some of our businesses, the raw materials and various purchased components required for the Company's products have generally been available in sufficient quantities.

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS AND LICENSES

The Company has many patents, trademarks and licenses obtained over a number of years which expire at various dates in the future. While proprietary intellectual property is important to the Company, management believes the loss of any intellectual property right would not materially impact the Company or any of its segments.

BACKLOG

The Company's estimated consolidated order backlog was \$5,616 million and \$4,615 million at September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Nearly the entire September 30, 2010 consolidated backlog amount is expected to be shipped within one year. The estimated backlog by business segment at September 30, 2010 and 2009 follows (dollars in millions):

| | 2009 | 2010 |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------|
| Process Management | \$ 2,609 | 2,868 |
| Industrial Automation | 385 | 619 |
| Network Power | 1,066 | 1,641 |
| Climate Technologies | 373 | 395 |
| Tools and Storage | 182 | 93 |
| Total Backlog | \$ 4,615 | 5,616 |

COMPETITION

Emerson's businesses operate in markets that are highly competitive and the Company competes based on product performance, quality, service and/or price across the industries and markets served. A significant element of the Company's competitive strategy is to deliver solutions to our customers by manufacturing high quality products at the best relevant global cost. Although no single company competes directly with Emerson in all of the Company's product lines, various companies compete in one or more product lines and the number of competitors varies by product line. Some competitors have substantially greater sales and assets than Emerson and the Company also competes with many smaller companies. Management believes Emerson has a market leadership position in many of its product lines.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Costs associated with Company-sponsored research and development activities were \$473 million, \$460 million and \$458 million in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

ENVIRONMENT

The Company's manufacturing locations generate waste, the treatment, storage, transportation and disposal of which are subject to federal, state, foreign and/or local laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. Compliance with laws regulating the discharge of materials into the environment or otherwise relating to the protection of the environment has not had a material effect upon Emerson's capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position. The Company does not anticipate having material capital expenditures for environmental control facilities during the next fiscal year.

EMPLOYEES

Emerson and its subsidiaries had an average of approximately 127,700 employees during 2010. Management believes that the Company's employee relations are favorable. Some of the Company's employees are represented under collective bargaining agreements, but none of these agreements is considered significant. See Note 5 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the 2010 Annual Report, which note is hereby incorporated by reference, for further information.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS

International sales were \$11,938 million in 2010, \$11,416 million in 2009 and \$13,307 million in 2008, including U.S. exports of \$1,317 million, \$1,211 million and \$1,449 million in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Although there are additional risks attendant to foreign operations, such as possible nationalization of facilities, currency fluctuations and restrictions on the movement of funds, Emerson's financial position has not been materially affected thereby to date. See Note 16 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the 2010 Annual Report, which note is hereby incorporated by reference, for further information with respect to foreign operations.

INTERNET ACCESS

Emerson's Forms 10-K, 10-Q, 8-K and all amendments to those reports are available without charge through Emerson's website on the Internet as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with, or furnished to, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). They may be accessed as follows: www.Emerson.com, Investor Relations, SEC Filings. Information on Emerson's website does not constitute part of this Form 10-K.

The information set forth under, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" is hereby incorporated by reference.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors

Investing in our securities involves risks. We may amend or supplement the risk factors described below from time to time by other reports we file with the SEC in the future.

We Operate In Businesses That Are Subject To Competitive Pressures That Could Affect Prices or Demand for Our Products

Our businesses operate in markets that are highly competitive, and we compete on the basis of product performance, quality, service and/or price across the industries and markets served. A significant element of our competitive strategy is to deliver solutions to our customers by manufacturing high quality products at the best relevant global cost. Some of our competitors have greater sales, assets and financial resources than our Company. Competitive pressures could adversely affect prices or customer demand for our products, impacting our profit margins and/or resulting in a loss of market share.

Our Operating Results Depend In Part on Continued Successful Research, Development and Marketing of New and/Or Improved Products and Services, and There Can Be No Assurance That We Will Continue To Successfully Introduce New Products and Services

The success of new and improved products and services depends on their initial and continued acceptance by our customers. Our businesses are affected by varying degrees of technological change and corresponding shifts in customer demand, which result in unpredictable product transitions, shortened life cycles and increased importance of being first to market with new products and services. We may experience difficulties or delays in the research, development, production and/or marketing of new products and services which may negatively impact our operating results and prevent us from recouping or realizing a return on the investments required to bring new products and services to market.

We Engage In Acquisitions, And May Encounter Difficulties in Integrating These Businesses and Therefore We May Not Realize the Anticipated Benefits Of the Acquisitions

We are a company that, from time to time, seeks to grow through strategic acquisitions. In 2010 and in past years, we have made various acquisitions and entered into joint venture arrangements intended to complement or expand our business, and may continue to do so in the future (see Note 3 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the 2010 Annual Report, which note is hereby incorporated by reference). The success of these transactions will depend on our ability to integrate assets and personnel acquired in these transactions and to cooperate with our strategic partners. We may encounter difficulties in integrating acquisitions with our operations, and in managing strategic investments. Furthermore, we may not realize the degree, or timing, of benefits we anticipate when we first enter into a transaction. Any of the foregoing could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Access To Funding Through The Capital Markets Is Essential To The Execution Of Our Business Plan And If We Are Unable To Maintain Such Access We Could Experience A Material Adverse Effect On Our Business And Financial Results

Our ability to invest in our businesses, make strategic acquisitions and refinance maturing debt obligations requires access to the capital markets and sufficient bank credit lines to support short-term borrowings. Volatility in the capital markets may increase costs associated with issuing commercial paper or other debt instruments, or affect the Company's ability to access those markets. If we are unable to continue to access the capital markets, we could experience a material adverse effect on our business and financial results. If our customers, suppliers and financial institutions are unable to access the capital markets to meet their commitments to the Company, our business could be

adversely impacted.

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We Use a Variety of Raw Materials and Components in Our Businesses, and Significant Shortages or Price Increases Could Increase Our Operating Costs and Adversely Impact the Competitive Positions of Our Products

Our major requirements for raw materials include steel, copper, cast iron, electronics, aluminum and brass and, to a lesser extent, plastics and other petroleum-based chemicals. Emerson has multiple sources of supply for each of its major requirements and is not significantly dependent on any one or a few suppliers. Significant shortages or price increases could impact the prices our affected businesses charge, their operating costs and the competitive position of their products and services, which could adversely affect our results of operations. While we monitor market prices of the commodities we require and attempt to reduce price exposure through hedging activities, this risk could adversely affect our operating results.

Our Operations Depend On Production Facilities Throughout The World, A Majority Of Which Are Located Outside The United States And Subject To Increased Risks Of Disrupted Production Causing Delays In Shipments And Loss Of Customers And Revenue

We manage businesses with manufacturing facilities worldwide, a majority of which are located outside the United States. Emerging market sales now represent over one-third of total sales and serving a global customer base requires that we place more production in emerging markets to capitalize on market opportunities and maintain our best-cost position. Our international production facilities and operations could be disrupted by a natural disaster, labor strife, war, political unrest, terrorist activity or public health concerns, particularly in emerging countries that are not well-equipped to handle such occurrences.

Our manufacturing facilities abroad also may be more susceptible to changes in laws and policies in host countries and economic and political upheaval than our domestic facilities. Any such disruption could cause delays in shipments of products and the loss of sales and customers, and insurance proceeds may not adequately compensate us.

Our Substantial Sales Abroad Subject Us to Economic Risk As Our Results of Operations May Be Adversely Affected By Foreign Currency Fluctuations and Changes in Local Government Regulations and Policies

We sell, manufacture, engineer, and purchase products in overseas markets. A significant portion of our sales is outside the United States, and we expect sales from non-U.S. markets to continue to represent a significant portion of our total sales. International sales and operations are subject to changes in local government regulations and policies, including those related to tariffs and trade barriers, investments, taxation, exchange controls, and repatriation of earnings. Changes in the relative values of currencies occur from time to time and have affected our operating results and could do so in the future. While we monitor our exchange rate exposures and attempt to reduce this exposure through hedging activities, this risk could adversely affect our operating results.

Recessions, Adverse Market Conditions or Downturns in the End Markets We Serve May Negatively Impact Segment Revenues and Operating Results

Segment revenues, operating results and cash flows have varied in the past and may be exposed to significant volatility from quarter to quarter in the future due to changes in general economic conditions, recessions or adverse conditions in the end markets we serve. These changes could adversely impact overall sales, operating results and cash flows, which in turn could trigger impairment of goodwill or other long-lived assets due to the fair value of such assets falling below the Company's carrying value. Moreover, during economic downturns we may undertake more extensive rationalization actions and therefore incur higher rationalization expense during such periods. If our rationalization actions are not sufficiently effective or if we must incur rationalization costs beyond what we anticipate, we may not be able to achieve our anticipated operating results.

We Are Subject To Litigation and Environmental Regulations That Could Adversely Impact Our Operating Results

We are, and may in the future be, a party to a number of legal proceedings and claims, including those involving product liability and environmental matters, several of which claim, or may in the future claim, significant damages. Given the inherent uncertainty of litigation, we can offer no assurance that existing litigation or a future adverse development will not have a material adverse impact. We also are subject to various laws and regulations relating to environmental protection and the discharge of materials into the environment, and we could incur substantial costs as a result of the noncompliance with or liability for cleanup or other costs or damages under environmental laws.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

At September 30, 2010, Emerson had approximately 240 manufacturing locations worldwide, of which approximately 160 were located outside the United States, primarily in Europe and Asia, and to a lesser extent in Canada and Latin America. The approximate numbers of manufacturing locations by business segment are: Process Management, 60; Industrial Automation, 80; Network Power, 45; Climate Technologies, 35; and Tools and Storage, 20. The majority of the locations are owned, with the remainder occupied under lease. The Company considers its facilities suitable and adequate for the purposes for which they are used.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

The information regarding legal proceedings set forth in Note 12 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the 2010 Annual Report is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 4. [Removed and Reserved]

Executive Officers of the Registrant

The following sets forth certain information as of November 23, 2010 with respect to Emerson's executive officers. The Fiscal Year column indicates the first year the executive served as an officer of the Company. These officers have been elected or appointed to terms which expire February 1, 2011: