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### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 27, 2004, Snap-on Incorporated (the "Corporation") issued a press release entitled "Snap-on Announces Third-quarter 2004 Results." The text of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99 and incorporated herein by reference.

The press release also contains cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results of the Corporation to differ materially from those described in any forward-looking statement of the Corporation.

The press release also contains information concerning the impacts of foreign currency translation on certain items of reported results, and this information may include non-GAAP financial measures. The Corporation presents information in this manner to show changes in these items of reported results apart from those related to the quarterly volatility of foreign currency changes.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02)

#### (c) Exhibits

99 Press Release of Snap-on Incorporated, dated October 27, 2004

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, Snap-on Incorporated has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SNAP-ON INCORPORATED

Date: October 27, 2004 By: /s/ Martin M. Ellen

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Martin M. Ellen, Principal Financial Officer,  
Senior Vice President - Finance and  
Chief Financial Officer

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