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THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC Form 8-K September 23, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) September 23, 2003

THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5426 (Commission File Number) 61-0505332 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4360 Brownsboro Road, Suite 300
Louisville, Kentucky
(Address of principal executive offices)

40207 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 502/893-4600

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated September 23, 2003 announcing report of earnings outlook.

ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 23, 2003, Thomas Industries issued a press

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release announcing report of earnings outlook. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

The information in this Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference in any other filing under the Securities Exchange Act or Securities Act of 1933 except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference to this Form 8-K in such filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Phillip J. Stuecker

Phillip J. Stuecker, Vice President of Finance, Chief Financial Officer, and Secretary

Dated: September 23, 2003