

MILLER HERMAN INC  
Form 8-K  
July 20, 2004

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of Report: July 20, 2004

**HERMAN MILLER, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Michigan**  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-15141**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**38-0837640**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification no.)

**855 East Main Avenue**  
**Zeeland, Michigan**  
(Address of principal executive office)

**49464**  
(Zip Code)

**(616) 654-3000**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

**Item 5. Other Events**

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services issued a press release on July 19, 2004 to revise Herman Miller's outlook to stable from negative. In its release, S&P reported, "The outlook revision reflects rising order trends and an improved cost structure for this innovator in office furniture design. They also stated, "Several economic factors point to improved demand in the office furniture industry, including lower unemployment, rising corporate profits, and higher capital spending. At the same time, S&P affirmed its BBB corporate credit and BBB senior unsecured debt ratings on the company."

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SIGNATURE

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

Dated: July 20, 2004

HERMAN MILLER, INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Joseph M. Nowicki  
Joseph M. Nowicki  
Its: Treasurer and Vice President of Investor  
Relations