TIMKEN CO Form 8-K October 16, 2002

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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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): October 16, 2002

THE TIMKEN COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Ohio1-116934-0577130(State or Other Jurisdiction<br/>of Incorporation)(Commission<br/>File Number)(IRS Employer<br/>Identification No.)1835 Dueber Avenue, S.W., Canton, Ohio44706-2798(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (330) 438-3000

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

The Timken Company issued a press release on October 16, 2002, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by this reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

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- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.
  - 99.1 Press Release, dated October 16, 2002

## SIGNATURE

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.

THE TIMKEN COMPANY

By: /s/ William R. Burkhart

Name: William R. Burkhart Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Dated: October 16, 2002

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