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Form 8-K  
May 23, 2005

UNITED STATES  
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 (Date of earliest event reported)  
May 23, 2005

Gardner Denver, Inc.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware	1-13215	76-0419383
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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1800 Gardner Expressway Quincy, Illinois	62305
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

(217) 222-5400  
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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- |  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- |  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- |  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On May 23, 2005, Gardner Denver, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it had received all regulatory approvals necessary to complete its previously announced acquisition of Thomas Industries Inc. A copy of this press release is furnished with this report as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

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The information in this Item 7.01 and the exhibits attached hereto shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, nor shall such information or exhibit be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") or Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Gardner Denver, Inc. Press Release dated May 23, 2005 announcing the receipt of all regulatory approvals necessary to complete the previously announced acquisition of Thomas Industries Inc.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

GARDNER DENVER, INC.

Date: May 23, 2005

By: /s/ Tracy D. Pagliara

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Tracy D. Pagliara  
Vice President, Administration,  
General Counsel and Secretary

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