

CRANE CO /DE/  
Form 8-K  
December 12, 2007

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 12, 2007

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## CRANE CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-1657  
(Commission File Number)

13-1952290  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 First Stamford Place, Stamford, CT  
(Address of principal executive offices)

06902  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 363-7300

N/A

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

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**INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT**

**SECTION 8 OTHER EVENTS**

**ITEM 8.01 Other Events**

Crane Co., a diversified manufacturer of highly engineered industrial products, announced on December 12, 2007 that it has sold the buildings and land at its Ipswich, England facility to Borderbeach Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Allied Property and Leisure Limited, for \$36 million. Including estimated associated restructuring costs, Crane expects an after-tax gain of approximately \$20 million, or \$0.33 per share, in the fourth quarter.

Separately, Crane announced that it will update its previously disclosed environmental liability for the Superfund site located in Goodyear, Arizona because recent changes in the groundwater profile indicate that more extensive remediation is required. The Company initially recorded a liability in 2004 for estimated costs through 2014, after reaching agreement with the Environmental Protection Agency. At the end of September, 2007, the liability totaled \$15.4 million. It is anticipated that the Company will record a pretax charge of an amount somewhat greater than the current liability. The Company's updated remediation plan will be completed in connection with the preparation of its financial statements for 2007. For additional information on the Goodyear site and the associated liability, please see the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and most recent 10-Q.

**SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

**ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a) None

(b) None

(c) None

(d) None

99.1 Press Release dated December 12, 2007, issued by Crane Co.

**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.

CRANE CO.

Dated: December 12, 2007

By: /s/ Augustus I. duPont  
Augustus I. duPont

Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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| 99.1               | Press release dated December 12, 2007, issued by Crane Co. |