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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) DECEMBER 1, 2005

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE 1-3932 38-1490038 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

2000 M63 NORTH, BENTON HARBOR, MICHIGAN 49022-2692 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(269) 923-5000 (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:

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On December 1, 2005, Whirlpool Corporation and Maytag Corporation issued a joint press release. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Press release dated December 1, 2005.

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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.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: December 1, 2005 By: /s/ Robert T. Kenagy

Name: Robert T. Kenagy Title: Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release dated December 1, 2005.