STANLEY WORKS Form 8-K November 02, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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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): November 2, 2009

The Stanley Works (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5244 (Commission File Number)

06-0548860 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1000 Stanley Drive New Britain, Connecticut 06053 (Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (860) 225-5111

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

| [x] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425 |
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| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 2, 2009, The Stanley Works ("Stanley") and The Black & Decker Corporation ("Black & Decker") issued a press release announcing the execution of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of November 2, 2009, among Stanley, Black & Decker and Blue Jay Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Stanley.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Additional Information

This communication is being made in respect of the proposed merger transaction involving Stanley, Black & Decker, and Blue Jay Acquisition Corp. In connection with the proposed transaction, Stanley will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a registration statement on Form S-4 that will include a joint proxy statement of Stanley and Black & Decker that will also constitute a prospectus of Stanley Works. Investors and security holders are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus and any other relevant documents filed with the SEC when they become available, because they will contain important information. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of the joint proxy statement/prospectus and other documents (when available) that Stanley files with the SEC at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and Stanley's website related to the transaction at www.stanleyblackanddecker.com. In addition, these documents may be obtained from Stanley free of charge by directing a request to Investor Relations, The Stanley Works, 1000 Stanley Drive, New Britain, CT 06053.

Stanley, Black & Decker and certain of their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the proposed transaction under the rules of the SEC. Investors and security holders may obtain information regarding the names, affiliations and interests of Stanley's directors and executive officers in Stanley's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 3, 2009, which was filed with the SEC on February 26, 2009, and its proxy statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting, which was filed with the SEC on March 20, 2009. Investors and security holders may obtain information regarding the names, affiliations and interests of Black & Decker's directors and executive officers in Black & Decker's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, which was filed with the SEC on February 17, 2009, and its proxy statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting, which was filed with the SEC on March 16, 2009. These documents can be obtained free of charge from the sources listed above. Additional information regarding the interests of these individuals will also be included in the joint proxy statement/prospectus regarding the proposed transaction when it becomes available.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release of Stanley and Black & Decker dated November 2, 2009

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

The Stanley Works

November 2, 2009 By: /s/ Bruce H. Beatt

Name: Bruce H. Beatt

Title: Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

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Exhibit

No. Description

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