APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES INC Form 8-K July 19, 2004

> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 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): July 19, 2004

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OHIO 1-2299 34-0117420 ---- (State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission File (I.R.S. Employer Incorporation or Organization) Number) Identification No.)

> One Applied Plaza, Cleveland, Ohio 44115 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (216) 426-4000.

ITEM 7. EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99 - Press release of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. dated July 19, 2004.

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 9, "Regulation FD Disclosure" and Item 12, "Disclosure of Results in Operations and Financial Conditions".

Attached to this filing as Exhibit 99 and incorporated by reference herein is the text of registrant's press release dated July 19, 2004 regarding fourth quarter and full-year sales and earnings guidance and the scheduling of the registrant's annual meeting of shareholders.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

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APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Fred D. Bauer Fred D. Bauer Vice President-General Counsel & Secretary

Date: July 19, 2004

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