

SCHULMAN A INC  
Form 8-K  
August 26, 2004

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**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): August 24, 2004

**A. SCHULMAN, INC.**

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

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0-7459

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34-0514850

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3550 West Market Street  
Akron, Ohio

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44333

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(Address of principal executive  
offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (330) 666-3751

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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On August 24, 2004, A. Schulman Europe GmbH, a wholly owned subsidiary of A. Schulman, Inc., borrowed 226 million Euros from KBC Bank, N.V., on an unsecured, interest-free basis for a fee of 500 Euros. The loan, together with cash, was used to repay a debt of 240 million Euros owed by A. Schulman Europe GmbH to A. Schulman, Inc. A. Schulman, Inc. then used the proceeds from the repayment of its loan to purchase 100% of the common stock of (i) A. Schulman Inc. Limited and (ii) N.V.A. Schulman Plastics, S.A. from A. Schulman Europe GmbH. On August 24, 2004, A. Schulman Europe GmbH used the proceeds received from the sale of stock to repay the loan from KBC Bank.

KBC Bank, N.V. is a lender under A. Schulman, Inc.'s five-year, \$100 million revolving credit agreement.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

**A. Schulman, Inc.**  
(Registrant)

By: /s/Robert A. Stefanko  
Robert A. Stefanko  
Executive Vice President - Finance and  
Administration

Date: August 26, 2004