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> 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): FEBRUARY 16, 2005 _____

COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORPORATION _____

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW YORK

_____ (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-27618 16-0547600 _____ _____ (IRS Employer Identification No.)

(Commission File Number)

(Zip Code)

140 JOHN JAMES AUDUBON PARKWAY, AMHERST, NEW YORK 14228-1197 _____

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (716) 689-5400

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

Item 2.01. COMPLETION OF ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF ASSETS.

On February 16, 2005, the registrant issued an amended press release regarding the sale and partial leaseback of their Amherst, NY property in relation to the clarification of required accounting treatment of the leaseback and non-cash components of the transaction. A copy of the press release issued in connection with such action is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

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99.1	Press Release dated February 16, 2005

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 thereunto duly authorized.

COLUMBUS MCKINNON CORPORATION

By: /S/ ROBERT R. FRIEDL Name: Robert R. Friedl Title: Vice President - Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: FEBRUARY 16, 2005

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