

PENTAIR INC  
Form 8-K  
October 26, 2004

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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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): October 26, 2004**

**Commission file number 1-11625**

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**Pentair, Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Minnesota**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**41-0907434**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification number)

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5500 Wayzata Blvd, Suite 800, Golden Valley, Minnesota  
(Address of principal executive offices)

55416  
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (763) 545-1730

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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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On October 26, 2004, Pentair, Inc. issued a press release announcing earnings for the quarter ended October 2, 2004 and conference call in connection therewith. A copy of the release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Current Report shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into a filing under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired

Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information

Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibits are provided as part of the information furnished under Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

| <u>Exhibit</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| 99.1           | Pentair, Inc. press release dated October 26, 2004 announcing the earnings results for the third quarter ended October 2, 2004. |

**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, on October 26, 2004.

PENTAIR, INC.  
Registrant

By /s/ David D. Harrison

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David D. Harrison  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
(Chief Accounting Officer)

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