

MAYTAG CORP
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October 11, 2005

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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) October 7, 2005

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-3932
(Commission File
Number)

38-1490038
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

2000 M63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

49022-2692
(Zip Code)

(269) 923-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 - o 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 October 7, 2005, Whirlpool Corporation and Maytag Corporation issued a joint press release announcing that the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice has issued a second request for additional information and documentary material regarding their proposed merger.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Copy of press release dated October 7, 2005.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: October 11, 2005

By: /s/Robert T. Kenagy
Name: Robert T. Kenagy
Title: Corporate Secretary

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| 99 | Press release dated October 7, 2005. |