

FULLER H B CO
Form 8-K
March 23, 2005

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): March 22, 2005

H.B. FULLER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-09225
(Commission file number)

41-0268370
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1200 Willow Lake Boulevard
P.O. Box 64683
St. Paul, MN 55164-0683
(Address of principal executive offices)

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(651) 236-5900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 22, 2005, H.B. Fuller Company (the Company) announced its operating results for the first quarter ended February 26, 2005. A copy of the press release that discusses this matter is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to, and incorporated by reference in, this report.

Safe Harbor for Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this filing may be considered forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to the following: political and economic conditions; product demand; competitive products and pricing; costs of and savings from restructuring initiatives; product mix; availability and price of raw materials; the Company's relationships with its major customers and suppliers; changes in tax laws and tariffs; devaluations and other foreign exchange rate fluctuations (particularly with respect to the euro, the British pound, the Japanese yen, the Australian and Canadian dollars, the Argentine peso and the Brazilian real); the effect of new accounting pronouncements and accounting charges and credits; and similar matters. Further information about the various risks and uncertainties can be found in the Company's SEC 10-K filing of February 25, 2005. All forward-looking information represents management's best judgment as of this date based on information currently available that in the future may prove to have been inaccurate. Additionally, the variety of products sold by the Company and the regions where the Company does business make it difficult to determine with certainty the increases or decreases in sales resulting from changes in the volume of products sold, currency impact, changes in product mix and selling prices. However, management's best estimates of these changes as well as changes in other factors have been included. References to volume changes include volume, product mix, and delivery charges, combined.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated March 22, 2005, issued by H.B. Fuller Company

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.

Date: March 22, 2005

H.B. FULLER COMPANY

By: /s/ Patricia L. Jones

Patricia L. Jones
Senior Vice President,

Chief Administrative Officer,

General Counsel and

Secretary

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