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MUELLER INDUSTRIES INC  
Form SC 13G  
February 14, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G  
(Rule 13d-102)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT  
TO RULES 13d-1(b) (c), AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)/1/

Mueller Industries

-----  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

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(Title of Class of Securities)

624756 10 2

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(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2000

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)  
 Rule 13d-1(c)  
 Rule 13d-1(d)

(Continued on following pages)

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/1/ The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Warren E. Buffett

2 CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (A)   
(B)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZEN OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States Citizen

|              |   |                          |
|--------------|---|--------------------------|
|              | 5 | SOLE VOTING POWER        |
| NUMBER OF    |   | -0-                      |
| SHARES       |   |                          |
| BENEFICIALLY | 6 | SHARED VOTING POWER      |
| OWNED BY     |   | 3,217,100                |
| EACH         | 7 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
| REPORTING    |   | -0-                      |
| PERSON       |   |                          |
| WITH         | 8 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER |
|              |   | 3,217,100                |

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,217,100

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

9.63

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

2 CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(A)

(B)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZEN OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware Corporation

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

OWNED BY

3,217,100

EACH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

-0-

PERSON

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,217,100

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,217,100

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

9.63

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

HC, CO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

OBH, Inc.

2 CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(A)

(B)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZEN OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware Corporation

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

OWNED BY

3,217,100

EACH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

-0-

PERSON

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,217,100

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,217,100

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

9.63

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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

HC, CO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

National Indemnity Company

2 CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(A)

(B)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZEN OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Nebraska Corporation

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

OWNED BY

3,217,100

EACH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

-0-

PERSON

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

3,217,100

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,217,100

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

Not Applicable

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

9.63

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IC, CO

Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Mueller Industries

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

8285 Tournament Drive, Suite 150  
Memphis, Tennessee 38125

Item 2(a). Name of Persons Filing:

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office:

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

Warren E. Buffett  
1440 Kiewit Plaza  
Omaha, Nebraska 68131  
United States Citizen

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.  
1440 Kiewit Plaza  
Omaha, Nebraska 68131  
Delaware Corporation

OBH, Inc.  
1440 Kiewit Plaza  
Omaha, Nebraska 68131  
Delaware Corporation

National Indemnity Company  
3024 Harney Street  
Omaha, Nebraska 68131  
Nebraska Corporation

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

624756 10 2

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:

(a)  Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act.

(b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act.

(c)  Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a)(19)

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of the Act.

National Indemnity Company

- (d)  Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (e)  An investment advisor registered in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(ii)(G);  
  
OBH, Inc.  
Berkshire Hathaway Inc.  
Warren E. Buffett (an individual who may be deemed to control Berkshire Hathaway Inc.)
- (h)  A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j)  Group in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

See Exhibit A

If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box.

Item 4. Ownership

Warren E. Buffett

- (a) Amount Beneficially Owned:  
  
3,217,100
- (b) Percent of Class:  
  
9.63
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

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- (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:  
  
3,217,100

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(iii) sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

-0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

3,217,100

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

3,217,100

(b) Percent of Class:

9.63

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

-0-

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

3,217,100

(iii) sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

-0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

3,217,100

OBH, Inc.

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(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

3,217,100

(b) Percent of Class:

9.63

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

-0-

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

3,217,100



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(iii) sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

-0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

3,217,100

National Indemnity Company

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

3,217,100

(b) Percent of Class:

9.63

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

-0-

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

3,217,100

(iii) sole power to dispose or direct the

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disposition of:

-0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

3,217,100

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not Applicable

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not Applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

See Exhibit A

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

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Not Applicable

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated this 13th day of February, 2001

/s/ Warren E. Buffett

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Warren E. Buffett

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.

By: /s/ Warren E. Buffett

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Warren E. Buffett  
Chairman of the Board

OBH, INC.

By: /s/ Warren E. Buffett

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Warren E. Buffett  
Chairman of the Board

NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

By: /s/ Warren E. Buffett

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Warren E. Buffett  
Chairman of the Board

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Exhibit A

MEMBERS OF FILING GROUP

PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

OBH, Inc.

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Warren E. Buffett (an individual who may be deemed to control Berkshire Hathaway Inc.)

RELEVANT SUBSIDIARIES THAT ARE INSURANCE COMPANIES AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(a)(19) OF THE ACT:

National Indemnity Company

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