

TIMKEN CO
Form 8-K
December 16, 2011

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): December 15, 2011

THE TIMKEN COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Ohio

(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

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(Commission

34-0577130
(I.R.S. Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

1835 Dueber Avenue, S.W., Canton, Ohio 44706-2798

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(330) 438-3000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 15, 2011, The Timken Company and the United Steelworkers (USW) Local 1123 reached a tentative agreement, pending a ratification vote to be scheduled, on a new five-year contract that will replace the existing contract that would have expired September 2013. The full text of the press release issued in connection with this announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

This information shall not be deemed to be filed for the 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.

99.1 Press Release of The Timken Company dated December 15, 2011.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

THE TIMKEN COMPANY

By: /s/ William R. Burkhart
William R. Burkhart

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Date: December 16, 2011