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): August 2, 2005

Emerson Electric Co.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Missouri

(State or Other

Jurisdiction of

Incorporation)

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(Commission File Number) 43-0259330

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

8000 West Florissant Avenue St. Louis, Missouri

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(314) 553-2000

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:

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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.

Quarterly Results Press Release

On August 2, 2005, a press release was issued regarding results of Emerson Electric Co. (EMR) for the third quarter ended June 30, 2005. A copy of this press release is furnished with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

The press release contains non-GAAP financial measures as such term is defined in Regulation G under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. While Emerson believes these non-GAAP financial measures are useful in evaluating the Company, this information should be considered as supplemental in nature and not as a substitute for or superior to the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. Further, these non-GAAP financial measures may differ from similarly titled measures presented by other companies. Among such non-GAAP measures, the Company discusses earnings and earnings per share excluding a tax charge for earnings repatriation, which was the result of a onetime opportunity to repatriate under the American Jobs Creation Act. Management believes that it is useful to allow investors to compare earnings information excluding the impact of this item in order to enhance comparability between periods.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

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The following information is furnished pursuant to Regulation FD.

<u>Emerson GAAP Underlying Orders – 3 Month Summary</u> (Percent change. Trailing 3-month average versus prior year.)

	<u>Apr '05</u>	<u>May '05</u>	June '05
Process Management	+15 to +20	+10 to +15	>20+
Industrial Automation	+10 to +15	+10	+10 to +15
Network Power	+15 to +20	+10 to +15	+5 to +10
Climate Technologies	-5 to -10	-10 to -15	-15
Appliance and Tools	0 to +5	0 to +5	0 to +5
Total Emerson	+5 to +10	+5	+5 to +10

June 2005 Order Comments:

Orders reflected continued strength from Process Management and Industrial Automation with slight moderations from Network Power and Climate Technologies. Favorable currency exchange rates contributed approximately 0.5 percentage points of the total increase, less than last month's impact.

Process Management order levels remained strong across the valve, measurement, and systems and solutions businesses. The orders increase from May is driven by continued strength in the base business and large project wins in the refining and power markets.

Orders for Industrial Automation reflected strong capital spending and industrial demand in North America, Europe, and Asia. Order growth in this segment is being led by the power generating alternator and the electrical distribution businesses.

Network Power orders continue to see strength from the power systems and the inbound power businesses offset by softness in the embedded power and connectivity businesses. Additionally, comparisons are tougher across this segment given the strong order growth over the same period in 2004.

Orders for Climate Technologies were impacted by tougher comparisons to a strong 2004 and weak orders in all geographies. Air conditioning orders have been weak in the United States due to cool weather in April and May and high levels of channel inventory.

Appliance and Tools segment orders were led by strength in the storage and tools businesses offset by some weakness in the motors and appliance component businesses.

Upcoming Investor Events

Emerson senior management will discuss the Company's third quarter 2005 results during an investor conference call that will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2005. The call will begin at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (1:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time).

All interested parties may listen to the live conference call via the Internet by going to the Investor Relations area of Emerson's web site at <u>www.gotoemerson.com/financial</u> and completing a brief registration form. A replay of the conference call will be available for the next three months at the same location on the web site.

Updates and further details of these and other upcoming events will be posted in the Calendar of Events area in the Investor Relations section of the corporate web site as they occur.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits
- Exhibit Number Description of Exhibits
 - 99.1 Emerson's August 2, 2005 Press Release announcing its third quarter of Fiscal 2005 results.

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.

EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (Registrant)

Date: August 2, 2005

By: ____ /s/ H.M. Smith

H. M. Smith Assistant General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

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Exhibit Number Description of Exhibits

99.1 Emerson's August 2, 2005 Press Release announcing its third quarter of Fiscal 2005 results.



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For immediate release

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EMERSON ACHIEVES THIRD-QUARTER 2005 EARNINGS PER SHARE OF \$1.00 EXCLUDING TAX PROVISION FOR EARNINGS REPATRIATION; REPORTED EARNINGS PER SHARE OF \$0.86

ST. LOUIS, August 2, 2005 – Emerson (NYSE: EMR) today announced that net income for the 2005 quarter ended June 30, 2005 totaled \$358 million, or \$0.86 per share, an increase of 6 percent versus the prior year period. The results included a tax charge of \$58 million, or \$0.14 per share, related to the one-time opportunity during 2005 to repatriate approximately \$1.3 billion at a favorable tax rate under the American Jobs Creation Act. Excluding the effect of the charge, net income for the 2005 quarter totaled \$416 million, or \$1.00 per share, a 23 percent increase from the \$0.81 per share earned during the comparable 2004 period.

For the quarter, net sales increased 11 percent over the prior year to \$4.5 billion. Sales were up in all segments except Climate Technologies. Underlying sales were up over 4 percent for the quarter, excluding the impact of exchange rates (2 percent) and acquisitions (over 4 percent).

"Emerson's third quarter results prove that our strategies are working, as we again delivered double digit increases in sales and operating profit," said Emerson Chairman and CEO David N. Farr. "Our continued focus on strategic technology investments allows us to better meet our customers' needs, anywhere in the world. This is a winning formula that has and will continue to drive results."

For the nine months ended June 30, 2005, net sales were \$12.7 billion, an increase of \$1.2 billion, or 10 percent over the prior year. Pretax earnings for the first nine months were \$1.5 billion, or 12.1 percent of sales. This represents a 60 basis point

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improvement over the same period last year as sales volume leverage, sales price increases, and productivity improvements overcame significant cost increases due to commodity inflation. Net earnings per share increased 12 percent to \$2.39 for the nine months ended June 30, 2005. Excluding the third quarter 2005 cash repatriation charge of \$58 million, earnings per share increased 18 percent over the prior year period.

Balance Sheet / Cash Flow:

Operating cash flow in the quarter was \$606 million compared to \$755 million in the third quarter of 2004, which included a tax refund of \$140 million from the company's divestiture of Dura-Line. Free cash flow for the quarter was \$488 million, which exceeded net income in the quarter. "Emerson's ability to generate substantial free cash flow while still investing capital in our core businesses demonstrates our commitment to operational efficiency and working capital management. Our full year target for capital spending is unchanged at approximately \$500 million, and we remain committed to the full year targets of \$2.1 billion of operating cash flow and \$1.6 billion of free cash flow," Farr said.

The company continues to focus on operating capital efficiency as evidenced by the ratio of trade working capital to sales, which improved from 19.2 percent in the prior year quarter to 18.9 percent in the third quarter of 2005. Additionally, the company improved average 'days-in-the-cash-cycle' to 73 days in the third quarter from 76 days in the prior year period.

Operating Highlights:

Emerson's strong sales and earnings performance was led by the Process Management segment, which achieved sales for the quarter of \$1.1 billion, or 15 percent over the third quarter of fiscal 2004. "The strong sales performance was driven by increased demand in the energy markets we serve, particularly power, and oil and gas," Farr said. Segment margins for Process Management increased to 17.4 percent for the quarter from 12.9 percent in the 2004 period due to operating leverage on the sales growth and benefits of prior cost reduction efforts.

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The Industrial Automation segment also posted strong results with sales of \$826 million for the quarter, up 11 percent from the third quarter of 2004. "Global power generation needs continue to drive demand for our alternator business and domestic industrial demand is also helping results for much of this segment," Farr said. Operating margins for the segment were 14.4 percent compared with 13.2 percent in the prior year period.

The company's Network Power segment delivered another solid quarter with sales of \$838 million, a 25 percent increase, which included 16 percent from acquisitions, compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2004. This segment has also benefited from very strong demand in the large AC power systems business, driven by demand in the computing markets the company serves and the cooling requirements of the systems that are being installed. Compared to the same quarter last year, segment margins for Network Power increased slightly to 11.7 percent as sales volume leverage offset margin dilution from the Marconi power acquisition made in late 2004. Compared to the second quarter of 2005, margins for this segment improved sequentially 170 basis points reflecting increased profitability in the Marconi power business.

The Climate Technologies segment sales were down 4 percent on tough comparisons to the third quarter of 2004 and cooler weather in the United States in April and May of 2005. Climate Technologies operating margins declined to 15.6 percent from 17.1 percent on the lower sales volumes.

Sales for the Appliance and Tools segment increased 9 percent during the quarter to \$1.0 billion which included nearly 5 percent from acquisitions. Higher commodity costs and the dilutive impact of acquisitions dropped segment margins 60 basis points to 13.8 percent. Cost reduction programs have been put in place to help recover this profitability.

Full Year Earnings Outlook:

"We have seen continued order strength through June, particularly due to favorable market dynamics in Process Management, Industrial Automation, and Network Power. Based on this order strength and the strong performance for the first three quarters of the year, we have increased our expected fiscal year 2005 earnings per share to the range of \$3.45 to \$3.50," Farr said. Including the tax impact of repatriating the \$1.3 billion of foreign earnings under the American Jobs Creation Act, the new guidance is \$3.31 to \$3.36.

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Upcoming Investor Events

On Tuesday, August 2, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. EDT (1:00 p.m. CDT), Emerson senior management will discuss the third-quarter fiscal 2005 results during an investor conference call. All interested parties may listen to the live conference call via the Internet by going to the Investor Relations area of Emerson's web site at <u>www.gotoemerson.com/financial</u> and completing a brief registration form. A replay of the conference call will be available for the next three months at the same location on the web site. Details of upcoming events will be posted as they occur in the Investor Relations Calendar of Events on the corporate web site.

Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements

Statements in this release that are not strictly historical may be "forward-looking" statements, which involve risks and uncertainties. These include economic and currency conditions, market demand, pricing, and competitive and technological factors, among others, as set forth in the company's most recent Form 10-K filed with the SEC.

(tables attached)

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	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>Change</u>
Net sales	\$4,036	\$4,465	11%
Less: Costs and expenses			
Cost of sales	2,597	2,865	
SG&A expenses	824	907	
Other deductions, net	66	43	
Interest expense, net	50	52	
Earnings before income taxes	499	598	20%
Income taxes (2005 includes \$58M tax charge for			
repatriating foreign earnings)	158	240	
Net earnings	\$ 341	\$ 358	5%
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.86	6%

	Quarter Ende	Quarter Ended June 30,		
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>		
Other deductions, net				
Rationalization of operations	\$ 31	\$ 25		
Amortization of intangibles	4	8		
Other	31	10		
Total	\$ 66	\$ 43		
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TABLE 2

EMERSON AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED OPERATING RESULTS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	Nine Months E 2004	<u>Ended June 30,</u> 2005	Percent <u>Change</u>
Net sales	\$ 11,495	\$ 12,662	10%
Less: Costs and expenses			
Cost of sales	7,418	8,148	
SG&A expenses	2,421	2,672	
Other deductions, net	174	154	
Interest expense, net	160	158	
Earnings before income taxes	1,322	1,530	16%
Income taxes (2005 includes \$58M tax charge for			
repatriating foreign earnings)	419	527	
Net earnings	\$ 903	\$ 1,003	11%
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Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 2.14	\$ 2.39	12%

	Nine Months End 2004	Nine Months Ended June 30, 2004 2005		
Other deductions, net	2004	2000		
Rationalization of operations	\$ 92	\$ 82		
Amortization of intangibles	14	21		
Other	95	51		
Gains from divestitures of business				
interests	(27)	_		
Total	\$ 174	\$ 154		

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EMERSON AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

	June 3	<u>0,</u>	
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	
ssets			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 1,386	\$ 1,564	
Receivables, net	2,874	3,138	
Inventories	1,608	1,839	
Other current assets	475	481	
Total current assets	6,343	7,022	
Property, plant & equipment, net	2,844	2,929	
Goodwill	5,024	5,334	
Other	1,726	1,859	
	\$15,937	\$17,144	
iabilities and Stockholders' Equity Short-term borrowings and current			
maturities of long-term debt	\$ 878	\$ 1,622	
Accounts payable	1,387	1,610	
Accrued expenses	1,662	1,751	
Income taxes	186	244	
Total current liabilities	4,113	5,227	
Long-term debt	3,149	2,879	
Other liabilities	1,673	1,720	
Stockholders' equity	7,002	7,318	
	\$15,937	\$17,144	

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TABLE 4

EMERSON AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

	Nine Months Ended June 30,		
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	
Operating Activities			
Net earnings	\$ 903	\$ 1,003	
Depreciation and amortization	410	420	
Changes in operating working capital	149	(159)	
Pension funding	(101)	(101)	
Other	129	145	
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,490	1,308	

Investing Activities		
Capital expenditures	(230)	(350)
Purchases of businesses, net of cash &		
equivalents acquired	(18)	(192)
Other	102	(45)
Net cash used in investing activities	(146)	(587)
Financing Activities		
Net increase (decrease) in short-term		
borrowings	(102)	1,072
Proceeds from long-term debt	27	3
Principal payments on long-term debt	(14)	(620)
Dividends paid	(506)	(522)
Net purchases of treasury stock	(81)	(435)
Net cash used in financing activities	(676)	(502)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and		
equivalents	22	(1)
Increase in cash and equivalents	690	218
Beginning cash and equivalents	696	1,346
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Ending cash and equivalents	\$ 1,386	\$ 1,564
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EMERSON AND SUBSIDIARIES SEGMENT SALES AND EARNINGS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

	Quarter Ended June 30,		
	2004	2005	
Sales			
Process Management	\$ 925	\$ 1,061	
Industrial Automation	744	826	
Network Power	670	838	
Climate Technologies	873	837	
Appliance and Tools	955	1,039	
	4,167	4,601	
Eliminations	(131)	(136)	
Total Emerson	\$ 4,036	\$ 4,465	

Quarter Ended June 30.		
2005		
119 \$ 184		
99 118		
78 98		
149 131		
137 144		
582 675		
33 39		
(66) (64))	
(50) (52))	
499 \$ 598		
49	99 \$ 598	

	Quarter Ended June 30,			
	<u>2004</u>		<u>2005</u>	
Rationalization of operations				
Process Management	\$	7	\$	5
Industrial Automation		4		4

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Network Power	4	7
Climate Technologies	5	4
Appliance and Tools	14	5
Corporate	(3)	—
Total Emerson	\$ 31	\$ 25

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TABLE 6

EMERSON AND SUBSIDIARIES SEGMENT SALES AND EARNINGS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

	Nine Months Ended June 30,		
	2004	<u>2005</u>	
Sales			
Process Management	\$ 2,679	\$ 3,032	
Industrial Automation	2,162	2,421	
Network Power	1,955	2,376	
Climate Technologies	2,239	2,216	
Appliance and Tools	2,806	2,988	
	11,841	13,033	
Eliminations	(346)	(371)	
Total Emerson	\$ 11,495	\$ 12,662	

	Nine Months Ended June 30,		
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	
Earnings			
Process Management	\$ 309	\$ 468	
Industrial Automation	280	344	
Network Power	206	242	
Climate Technologies	354	338	
Appliance and Tools	399	397	
	1,548	1,789	
Differences in accounting methods	92	107	
Corporate and other	(158)	(208)	
Interest expense, net	(160)	(158)	
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Earnings before income taxes	\$ 1,322	\$ 1,530	

	Nine Months Ended June 30,			
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>		
Rationalization of operations				
Process Management	\$ 24	\$ 14		
Industrial Automation	11	12		
Network Power	21	29		
Climate Technologies	13	9		
Appliance and Tools	31	17		
Corporate	8)) 1		
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Total Emerson	\$ 92	\$ 82		

Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The following reconciles each Non-GAAP measure with the most directly comparable GAAP measure (dollars in millions):

			Percent
Third Quarter Qash Flau	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>Change</u>
Third-Quarter Cash Flow	¢ 755	¢	(000/)
Operating Cash Flow	\$ 755	\$ 606	(20%)
Capital Expenditures	83	118	
Free Cash Flow (Non-GAAP)	\$ 672	\$ 488	(27%)
Third-Quarter Operating Profit			
Net Sales	\$4,036	\$4,465	11%
Cost of Sales	2,597	2,865	
SG&A Expenses	824	907	
Operating Profit (Non-GAAP)	615	693	13%
OP % (Non-GAAP)	15.2%	15.5%	
Other Deductions, Net	66	43	
Interest Expense, Net	50	52	
Pre-Tax Earnings	\$ 499	\$ 598	20%
Earnings %	12.4%	13.4%	
	<u>3Q 2005</u>		
Net Sales			
Underlying Sales (Non-GAAP)	4.3%		
Currency Translation	2.1pts		
Acquisitions/Divestitures	4.2pts		
Net Sales	10.6%		

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Third-Quarter Excluding Tax Charge	Reported	Tax Charge ⁽¹⁾	Excl. Tax Charge (Non-GAAP)	
Earnings before income taxes	598		598	
Income taxes	240	(58)	182	
Effective tax rate	40.1%		30.4%	
Net earnings	358	58	416	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.14	\$ 1.00	
Nine Months Excluding Tax Charge Earnings before income taxes Income taxes Effective tax rate Net earnings	1,530 527 34.4% 1,003	(58) 58	1,530 469 30.7% 1,061	
Diluted earnings per common share Fiscal 2005 Outlook	\$ 2.39 Expected	\$ 0.14 Tax Charge ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2.53 Excl. Tax Charge (Non-GAAP)	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$3.31-\$3.36	\$ 0.14	\$3.45-\$3.50	

(1) Tax charge of \$58 million relating to repatriation of foreign earnings under the American Jobs Creation Act.