SCHULMAN A INC
Form 8-K
April 05, 2006

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) <u>April 5, 2006</u>
A. SCHULMAN, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	0-7459	34-0514850
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

3550 West Market Street, Akron, Ohio	44333
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

(330) 666-3751

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On April 5, 2006, A. Schulman, Inc. (the Company) announced earnings for the Company s second quarter ended February 28, 2006. A copy of the press release announcing these results is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Pursuant to General Instruction B.2 of Current Report on Form 8-K, the information in this Item 2.02 is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Furthermore, the information in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On April 5, 2006, the Company s Board of Directors declared a regular cash dividend of $0.145 per common share, payable May 3, 2006, to shareholders of record on April 21, 2006. A copy of the press release announcing this dividend is attached as Exhibit 99.2 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Pursuant to General Instruction B.2 of Current Report on Form 8-K, the information in this Item 7.01 is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Furthermore, the information in this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On April 5, 2006, the Company s Board of Directors authorized $18.2 million in capital expenditures to develop the initial production facility for the Company s Invision project.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number   Description

99.1   Press Release, dated April 5, 2006, announcing earnings results.

99.2   Press Release, dated April 5, 2006, announcing declaration of regular cash dividend.

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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.

A. Schulman, Inc.

By: /s/ Robert A. Stefanko
     Robert A. Stefanko
     Vice President   Finance and
     Administration

Date: April 5, 2006

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