

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC  
Form 8-K  
March 22, 2005

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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 21, 2005**

**MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**New York**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-14130**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**11-3289165**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**75 Maxess Road, Melville, New York**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**11747**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(516) 812-2000**

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

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))
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**ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.**

On March 22, 2005, the Registrant issued a press release announcing the declaration of a cash dividend on the common stock of the Registrant. The entire text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

Exhibit: 99.1 MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc. Press Release, dated March 22, 2005.

**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.

MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc.

Date: March 22, 2005

By: /s/ Shelley Boxer

Name: Shelley Boxer

Title: Vice President, Finance