HOME PRODUCTS INTERNATIONAL INC Form 8-K February 05, 2004

4501 West 47th Street, Chicago, IL

(Address of principal executive offices)

# **UNITED STATES**

SECURITIES	AND EXCHANGE CO	OMMISSION
	Washington, DC 20549	
	FORM 8-K	
	CURRENT REPORT	
Pursuant to Section	13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exc	hange Act of 1934
Date of Repo	rt (Date of earliest event reported): Febru	ary 5, 2004
	roducts Internation act name of registrant as specified in its chapte	·
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction	0-17237 (Commission	36-4147027 (IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (773) 890-1010

60632

(Zip Code)

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

#### Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

Home Products International, Inc. (the Company) announced today that it has received a proposal letter to negotiate a transaction contemplating the acquisition of all of the Company s outstanding shares for \$1.50 cash per share by an entity formed by James R. Tennant, the Company s Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. The Company issued a press release announcing this development, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of the proposal letter is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

#### Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

### (c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
99.1	Press Release of Home Products International, Inc. dated February 5, 2004
99.2	Proposal Letter by and among Home Products International, Inc., JRT Acquisition, Inc. and James R. Tennant, dated February 5, 2004

#### **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.

Dated: February 5, 2004

### HOME PRODUCTS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ James E. Winslow

James E. Winslow Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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