DONALDSON CO INC Form 8-K February 23, 2005

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): February 23, 2005

DONALDSON COMPANY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-7891

41-0222640

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission file number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1400 West 94th Street Minneapolis, MN 55431

(Address of principal executive offices)

(952) 887-3131

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 February 23, 2005, Donaldson Company, Inc. issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the second quarter ended January 31, 2005. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in the Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information disclosed under Item 2.02, Results of Operations and Financial Condition, below also is intended to be disclosed under this Item 7.01 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release announcing results of operations for second quarter ended January 31, 2005 of Donaldson Company Inc., dated February 23, 2005.

EXHIBIT INDEX

 Exhibit No.
 Description

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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.

Date: February 23, 2005

DONALDSON COMPANY, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas R. VerHage

Name: Thomas R. VerHage Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer