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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) July 27, 2005

Snap-on Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-7724 39-0622040

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission File Number)

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

10801 Corporate Drive, Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin 53158-1603

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (262) 656-5200

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 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

Snap-on Incorporated (Snap-on or the Company) wishes to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 by filing this Form 8-K. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements (i) that include the words expects, plans, targets, estimates, believes, anticipates, or similar words that reference Snap-on or its management; (ii) specifically identified as forward-looking; or (iii) describing Snap-on s or management s future outlook, plans, estimates, objectives or goals, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Snap-on cautions the reader that any forward-looking statements are based upon assumptions and estimates that were developed by management in good faith and are subject to risks, uncertainties or other factors that could cause (and in some cases have caused) actual results to differ materially from those described in any such statement. Accordingly, forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as a prediction of actual results or regarded as a representation by the Company or its management that the projected results will be achieved. For those forward-looking statements, Snap-on cautions the reader that numerous important factors, such as those listed below, could affect the Company s actual results and could cause its actual consolidated results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statement made by, or on behalf of, Snap-on.

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These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, uncertainties related to estimates, assumptions and projections generally, the timing and progress with which Snap-on can attain savings from cost reduction actions and implement and complete planned reductions in workforce, its ability to manage inventory levels and meet customer demand, and enhance machine maintenance, plant productivity and manufacturing line set-up and change-over practices, any or all of which could result in production inefficiencies, higher cost and lost revenues. These risks also include uncertainties related to Snap-on s capability to implement future strategies with respect to its existing businesses, refine its brand and franchise strategies, retain and attract dealers, capture new business, introduce successful new products, as well as its ability to withstand disruption arising from planned facility closures, or other labor interruptions, and external negative factors including terrorist disruptions on business, potential changes in trade, monetary and fiscal policies, regulatory reporting requirements, laws and regulations, or other activities of governments or their agencies, including military actions and the aftermath that may occur; the absence of significant changes in the current competitive environment, inflation and other monetary fluctuations, interest rates, legal proceedings, energy and raw material supply and pricing (including gasoline), the amount, rate and growth of Snap-on s general and administrative expenses (e.g. health care and/or pension costs) or the material worsening of economic situations around the world, particularly in North America and/or Europe, and its ability to increase prices due to higher raw material costs. Snap-on disclaims any responsibility to update any forward-looking statement.

In addition, investors should be aware that generally accepted accounting principles prescribe when a company should reserve for particular risks, including litigation exposures. Accordingly, results for a given reporting period could be significantly affected if and when a reserve is established for a major contingency. Reported results, therefore, may appear to be volatile in certain accounting periods.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, Snap-on Incorporated has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SNAP-ON INCORPORATED

Date: July 27, 2005 By: /s/ Susan F. Marrinan

Susan F. Marrinan, Vice President, Secretary and Chief Legal Officer

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