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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	f earliest event report	ed): November 5, 2002
The Stanley Works		
(Exact name of	registrant as specified	in charter)
Connecticut	1-5244	06-0548860
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	
1000 Stanley Drive, New Britain, Connecticut		06053
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone	number, including area	code: (860) 225-5111
	Not Applicable	
(Former name or forme	r address, if changed s	ince last report)

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Item 5. Other Events.

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In a Press Release attached to this 8-K as Exhibit $20\,(i)$, the company announced that it had completed an offering of \$350 million in aggregate principal amount of notes.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) 20(i) Press Release dated November 1, 2002.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

THE STANLEY WORKS

Date: November 5, 2002 By: /s/ Bruce H. Beatt

Name: Bruce H. Beatt
Title: Vice President. Ge

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Stanley Works Completes Offering of \$200 Million of 4.90% Notes Due 2012 and \$150 Million of 3.50% Notes Due 2007

New Britain, Connecticut, November 1, 2002. The Stanley Works (NYSE: SWK) announced today that it has completed an offering of \$350 million in aggregate principal amount of notes. The offering was comprised of

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\$200 million of 4.90% notes due 2012 and \$150 million of 3.50% notes due 2007. The company expects to use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering to pay the purchase price of the proposed acquisition of Best Lock Corporation dba Best Access Systems. Any amounts not used for the Best Lock acquisition will be used for general corporate purposes.

The notes were offered to qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144A and to persons outside the United States under Regulation S. The notes were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and, unless so registered, may not be offered or sold in the United States except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the notes in any state in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Any statements in this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results or those the company anticipates. The company is under no obligation to (and expressly disclaims any such obligation to) publicly update or alter its forward-looking statements made in this press release, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.