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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 earliest ev	vent reported): SEPTEMBER 12, 2003					
_	THE TIMKE	N COMPANY					
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)							
	OHIO						
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)							
1-1169		34-0577130					
	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)					
_	1835 DUEBER AVENUE, S.W., CANTON, OHIO 44706-2798						
	(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)						
	(330) 43	38-3000					
	(Registrant's Telephone Nur	mber, Including Area Code)					

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The Timken Company ("Timken") is filing this Current Report on Form 8-K (this "Form 8-K") to disclose certain information required under Regulation G ("Regulation G") of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Under Regulation G, among other things, because Timken has filed today a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act")

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that incorporates by reference certain periodic filings that contain a "non-GAAP financial measure" (as defined in Regulation G), Timken must also disclose the differences between the disclosed non-GAAP financial measure and the most comparable financial measure or measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. The purpose of this Form 8-K is to satisfy the disclosure requirements of Regulation G.

In Timken's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002 (the "2002 10-K"), Timken disclosed its net-debt-to-net-capital ratio at December 31, 2002. In Timken's 2002 10-K and its quarterly reports on Form 10-0 for the periods ended March 31, 2003, and June 30, 2003, Timken disclosed its total-debt-to-total-capital ratio. The ratios at March 31, 2003, and June 30, 2003, reflect the acquisition of the Engineered Solutions business of Ingersoll-Rand Company Limited, which was consummated as of February 16, 2003. Timken defines "total debt" as long-term debt plus current portion of long-term debt, commercial paper and short-term debt; "net debt" as total debt less cash and cash equivalents; "total capital" as total debt plus total shareholders' equity, and "net capital" as net debt plus total shareholders' equity. Timken's definitions of total debt, net debt, total capital and net capital may not be comparable with those terms as defined by other companies. Management uses the total-debt-to-total-capital ratio as a measure of its financial leverage. Management believes the net-debt-to-net-capital ratio is also useful as a measure of Timken's financial leverage which eliminates the impact of cash items, such as payments received from the U.S. Treasury Department under the U.S. Continued Dumping Subsidy Offset Act.

Following is a reconciliation of the net-debt-to-net-capital ratio at December 31, 2002, and the total-debt-to-total-capital ratio at December 31, 2002, March 31, 2003, and June 30, 2003, and the comparable prior year periods:

	AT DECEMBER 31,		AT MARCH 31,		
		2002	2002		
			(IN THOUSAN	 NDS)	
Long-term debt Plus Current portion of long-term	\$ 368,151	\$ 350,085	\$ 367,279	\$ 778,066	
debt	42,434	23,781	41,480	25 , 792	
Plus Commercial paper	1,962	8,999			
Plus Short-term debt	84,468	78,354	112,344	192,840	
Total debt	\$ 497,015 ======	\$ 461,219 =======	\$ 521,103 ======	\$ 996,698 ======	
Total debt Less Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 497,015 33,392	\$ 461,219 82,050			
Net debt	\$ 463,623 ======	\$ 379,169 =======			
Total debt	\$ 497,015 781,735	\$ 461,219 609,086	\$ 521,103 783,303	\$ 996,698 941,342	
Total capital	\$1,278,750 ======	\$1,070,305 ======	\$1,304,406 ======	\$1,938,040 ======	
Net debt	\$ 463,623 \$ 781,735	\$ 379,169 609,086			

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Net capital	\$1,245,358	\$ 988,255		
	=======	=======		
Total-debt-to-total-capital				
ratio	38.9%	43.1%	39.9%	51.4%
Net-debt-to-net-capital ratio	37.2%	38.4%		

SIGNATURES

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.

THE TIMKEN COMPANY

By: /s/ William R. Burkhart

William R. Burkhart

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Date: September 12, 2003