
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): September 27, 2010

HILLENBRAND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana

(State or other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-33794

(Commission File Number)

26-1342272

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One Batesville Boulevard
Batesville, Indiana**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

47006

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(812) 934-7500**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address if changed since last report.)

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other Events

On September 24, 2010, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division, entered a Memorandum Opinion and Order granting defendants' motion to dismiss filed in July 2010. The Court also entered a Final Judgment specifically concluding that the "[p]laintiffs shall take nothing by their suit." The plaintiffs' lawsuit against the defendants was therefore dismissed, in its entirety, by entry of the Memorandum Opinion and Order and Final Judgment.

The Court's Memorandum Opinion and Order outlined the reasoning and analysis behind its dismissal of plaintiffs' suit, focusing on the issue of standing raised by the defendants in their motion to dismiss and at oral argument presented to the Court on August 2, 2010. Judge Hoyt concluded that the individual consumer plaintiffs and the Funeral Consumers Alliance lacked standing to pursue their claims against the remaining defendants, including all claims for both injunctive relief and damages.

Plaintiffs have a right to appeal this decision and must give notice of their intent to appeal within 30 days from the date the Final Judgment was entered.

Hillenbrand's press release regarding this matter is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The contents of such Exhibit are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated September 27, 2010, issued by Hillenbrand, Inc.

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.

HILLENBRAND, INC.

DATE: September 27, 2010

BY: /S/ John R. Zerkle
John R. Zerkle
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel and
Secretary

**District Court Dismisses Antitrust Lawsuit
Against Batesville Casket Company**

BATESVILLE, Indiana, September 27, 2010 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ — On Friday, September 24, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division, granted a motion to dismiss a previously disclosed antitrust lawsuit filed against Batesville Casket Company, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hillenbrand, Inc., and two current or former independent casket retailers. In his order and final judgment, Judge Kenneth M. Hoyt concluded that the individual consumer plaintiffs and the Funeral Consumers Alliance (FCA) lacked standing to pursue their alleged claims and that the “plaintiffs shall take nothing by their suit.”

The FCA, a self-styled consumer advocacy group, together with several individuals, had filed a lawsuit against Batesville Casket Company and other defendants, alleging that they had violated antitrust laws. The plaintiffs had been denied class certification in 2009 and were pursuing individual claims. With the dismissal September 24, the plaintiffs have 30 days to file an appeal with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

“We are very pleased with the dismissal of this suit,” said Kenneth A. Camp, president and chief executive officer of Hillenbrand. “From the beginning of this extraordinarily long process, we knew the plaintiffs’ allegations were baseless. As we will always do, we aggressively defended our fair and ethical practice of selling Batesville-branded products only through licensed funeral homes.”

For further information and background on this case, please refer to Hillenbrand’s most recent SEC Form 10-Q and to the rulings posted on our website, www.hillenbrandinc.com.

About Hillenbrand, Inc.

Hillenbrand (www.HillenbrandInc.com) is a diversified enterprise with multiple subsidiaries focused around two separate operating businesses. Batesville Casket (www.batesville.com) is a leader in the North American death care industry through the sale of funeral services products, including burial caskets, cremation caskets, containers and urns, selection room display fixturing, and other personalization and memorialization products. K-Tron International (www.ktroninternational.com) is a recognized leader in the design, production, marketing and servicing of bulk solids material handling equipment and systems. The company serves many different industrial markets through two product lines. The Process Group focuses primarily on feeding and pneumatic conveying equipment, doing business under two main brands: K-Tron Feeders and K-Tron Premier. The Size Reduction Group concentrates on size reduction equipment, conveying systems and screening equipment, operating under three brands: Pennsylvania Crusher, Gundlach and Jeffrey Rader. HI-INC-O

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