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July 07, 2004

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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 6, 2004

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

|   |                             |                                      |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Pennsylvania                                      | 0-9115                      | 25-0644320                           |
| -----   | -----                       | -----                                |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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| Two NorthShore Center, Pittsburgh, PA    | 15212-5851 |
| -----                                    | -----      |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (412) 442-8200  
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Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On July 6, 2004, Matthews International Corporation issued a press release announcing the purchase of Holjeron Corporation, a U.S. industrial controls manufacturer located in Wilsonville, Oregon. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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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.

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MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By Steven F. Nicola

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Steven F. Nicola  
Chief Financial Officer,  
Secretary and Treasurer

Date: July 7, 2004

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The following Exhibit to this report is filed herewith.

| Exhibit<br>No.<br>----- | Description<br>-----  |
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| 99.1                    | Press release, dated July 6, 2004, issued by<br>Matthews International Corporation. |