APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES INC Form 8-K April 27, 2012

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): April 25, 2012

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OHIO	1-2299	34-0117420
(State or other jurisdiction of	(Commission File	(I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization)	Number)	Identification No.)

One Applied Plaza, Cleveland, Ohio 44115 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (216) 426-4000.

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On April 25, 2012, Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. issued a press release announcing a definitive agreement to acquire SKF's company-owned distribution businesses in Australia and New Zealand. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report on Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated April 25, 2012.

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.

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (Registrant)

Date: April 27, 2012

By: /s/ Fred D. Bauer Fred D. Bauer, Vice President-General Counsel & Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. dated April 25, 2012.