

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO
Form 8-K
May 12, 2005

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): May 10, 2005

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

121 Gamma Drive

1-15579
(Commission File Number)

25-0668780
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

15238

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RIDC Industrial Park

O Hara Township

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (412) 967-3000

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

At the Company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders held May 10, 2005, the shareholders approved the adoption of the Company's CEO Annual Incentive Award Plan. The descriptions of the Plan and of the 2005 CEO annual incentive award under the Plan, which are contained under the caption "Proposal No. 2. CEO Annual Incentive Award Plan" in the Company's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 29, 2005, are incorporated herein by reference.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY
(Registrant)

By /s/ Douglas K. McClaine

Douglas K. McClaine
Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Date: May 12, 2005