
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):

January 26, 2012

AMETEK, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-12981

14-1682544

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1100 Cassatt Road, Berwyn, Pennsylvania

19312

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

610-647-2121

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

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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 January 26, 2012, AMETEK, Inc. issued a press release to announce it has acquired O'Brien Corporation. A copy of such press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1. The information contained in said press release is hereby incorporated by reference in this Form 8-K.

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.

AMETEK, Inc.

January 26, 2012

By: */s/ Robert R. Mandos, Jr.*

Name: Robert R. Mandos, Jr.

Title: Senior Vice President and Comptroller

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Copy of press release issued by AMETEK, Inc. on January 26, 2012.



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AMETEK ACQUIRES O'BRIEN CORPORATION
—Business Is Highly Differentiated Supplier of
Fluid and Gas Handling Solutions to Process Industries—

Berwyn, PA, January 26, 2012 — AMETEK, Inc. (NYSE: AME) today announced that it has acquired O'Brien Corporation, a leading manufacturer of fluid and gas handling solutions, sample conditioning equipment and process analyzers from Industrial Growth Partners for approximately \$175 million. Based in St. Louis, MO, O'Brien Corporation has annual sales of approximately \$80 million.

O'Brien's products and solutions are used in critical applications in process industries worldwide. O'Brien's comprehensive product offering includes pre-insulated tubing bundles, sample conditioning equipment, specialty tubing and fittings, instrument enclosures and process analyzers used in oil and gas production, refining, petrochemical processing, power generation, pharmaceutical manufacture and semiconductor fabrication.

"O'Brien's product lines are both highly differentiated and highly complementary to AMETEK's process instruments businesses. Combined with our analytical instrument solutions, AMETEK now can offer its customers a complete solution for most of their process analysis needs," comments Frank S. Hermance, AMETEK Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

"We expect to leverage the strong customer relationships of the combined businesses and AMETEK's global capability to further extend O'Brien's reach in key process markets worldwide," adds Mr. Hermance.

O'Brien has manufacturing operations in St. Louis, MO, Carson City, NV, and Shanghai, China. It joins AMETEK as part of its Electronic Instruments Group (EIG) — a recognized leader in advanced monitoring, testing, calibrating, and display instruments. AMETEK EIG, which sells its instruments to the process and analytical, aerospace, power and industrial markets worldwide, had 2011 sales of \$1.6 billion.

Corporate Profile

AMETEK is a leading global manufacturer of electronic instruments and electro-mechanical devices with annual sales of \$3.0 billion. AMETEK's Corporate Growth Plan is based on Four Key Strategies: Operational Excellence, Strategic Acquisitions & Alliances, Global & Market Expansion and New Products. AMETEK's objective is double-digit percentage growth in earnings per share over the business cycle and a superior return on total capital. The common stock of AMETEK is a component of the S&P MidCap 400 and the Russell 1000 Indices.

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Forward-looking Information

Statements in this news release relating to future events, such as AMETEK's expected business and financial performance are "forward-looking statements." Forward-looking statements are subject to various factors and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ significantly from expectations. These factors and uncertainties include AMETEK's ability to consummate and successfully integrate future acquisitions; risks associated with international sales and operations; AMETEK's ability to successfully develop new products, open new facilities or transfer product lines; the price and availability of raw materials; compliance with government regulations, including environmental regulations; changes in the competitive environment or the effects of competition in our markets; the ability to maintain adequate liquidity and financing sources; and general economic conditions affecting the industries we serve. A detailed discussion of these and other factors that may affect our future results is contained in AMETEK's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including its most recent reports on Form 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K. AMETEK disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements.

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