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Form 8-K
October 15, 2004

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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 8, 2004

Amcast Industrial Corporation
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio	1-9967	31-0258080
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

7887 Washington Village Drive, Dayton, Ohio	45459
----- (Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip code)

937-291-7000
(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

Not applicable
(Former name and 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))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On October 8, 2004, the Board of Directors of Amcast Industrial Corporation (the "Company") appointed Byron O. Pond, Chairman of the Board of the Company, to the additional position of President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective as of November 1, 2004, to replace Joseph R. Grewe, who resigned as an officer and director of the Company effective as of that date. Mr. Pond, age 68, has been a director of the Company since February 2001 and Chairman of the Board of the Company since April 2002. Mr. Pond served as Chairman and Chief Executive

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Officer of the Company from April 2002 to July 2003. From February 2001 to April 2002, Mr. Pond was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. From 1996 to 1998, Mr. Pond served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Arvin Industries, Inc. (a leading manufacturer of automotive emission and ride control systems) and from 1993 to 1996 as President and Chief Executive Officer of Arvin.

At the request of the Company's lenders under its bank credit agreement and as a condition to a loan extension under the agreement, on August 29, 2003, the Company entered into a retention agreement with Mr. Pond and two other executive officers as an inducement to them to remain with the Company until a transaction is completed that either refinances the outstanding loans under the credit agreement or results in the sale of substantially all of the Company's assets. The agreement provides that upon the occurrence of such an event and the satisfaction of certain conditions, the executives participate in a transaction incentive pool, the aggregate amount of which is equal to the sum of \$1.6 million plus an additional payment that could range from 0.1% to 0.78% of the transaction proceeds. This agreement terminates upon completion of a transaction or January 1, 2007, whichever occurs first. The Company made payments under this agreement to the other two executives in connection with the completion of sales of assets of the Company's Flow Control and Aluminum Components businesses, but Mr. Pond elected not to receive any payment in connection with these sales.

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.

AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

Date: October 15, 2004

By: /s/ Jeffrey A. McWilliams

Jeffrey A. McWilliams
Vice President Administration and Secretary