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EATON CORP Form 8-K October 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): October 6, 2005

EATON CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-1396 34-0196300 (State or other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of File Number) Identification No.) incorporation) **Eaton Center** 44114 Cleveland, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (216) 523-5000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Date: October 12, 2005

On October 6, 2005, Eaton Corporation (the Company) entered into a definitive agreement (the Agreement) with PerkinElmer, Inc. (the Seller) to purchase the Seller s aerospace division for a consideration of \$333 million. The Agreement contains customary provisions for transactions of this size and nature, including conditions to closing that require governmental approvals. The transaction is expected to close later in 2005. Based in Beltsville, Maryland, the Seller s Aerospace division had sales of \$150 million and earnings before interest, depreciation and taxes of \$35 million for the 12 months ended June 30, 2005.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

EATON CORPORATION /s/ R. H. Fearon

R. H. Fearon Executive Vice President -Chief Financial and Planning Officer