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

August 4, 2004 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number 1-6770

Delaware 25-0790410 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or Identification No.) organization)

> 8285 Tournament Drive, Suite 150 Memphis, Tennessee 38125 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(901) 753-3200 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On August 4, 2004, Mueller Industries, Inc. issued a press release announcing declaration of dividend. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated August 4, 2004 announcing dividend.

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized, on August 4, 2004.

MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

Description

Exhibit Number -----99.1

Press Release dated August 4, 2004

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## Mueller Industries, Inc. Declares Cash Dividend for Third Quarter

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 4 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Mueller Industries, Inc. (NYSE: MLI), announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend will be payable September 15, 2004, to shareholders of record on September 1, 2004.

Mueller Industries, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of copper tube and fittings; brass and copper alloy rod, bar and shapes; aluminum and brass forgings; aluminum and copper impact extrusions; plastic fittings and valves; refrigeration valves and fittings; and fabricated tubular products. Mueller's operations are located throughout the United States and in Canada, Mexico, and Great Britain.

Statements in this release that are not strictly historical may be "forward-looking" statements, which involve risks and uncertainties. These include economic and currency conditions, continued availability of raw materials, market demand, pricing, and competitive and technological factors, among others, as set forth in the company's SEC filings.

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