

WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
October 06, 2005

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 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**

**WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-3932**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**38-1490038**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2000 M63 North, Benton Harbor, Michigan**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**49022-2692**  
(Zip Code)

**(269) 923-5000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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  - o 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***

During the week ending October 7, 2005, the Company commenced mailing a summary of the annual report for the Whirlpool 401(k) Plan for the 2004 plan year that ended December 31, 2004 to members of the Plan.

***Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits***

Copy of annual report to members of the Whirlpool Corporation 401(k) Plan.

*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.

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION

Date: October 6, 2005

By : /s/ Robert T.  
Kenagy  
Name: Robert T. Kenagy  
Title: Corporate Secretary

**Exhibit Index**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99	Summary Annual Report for the Whirlpool Corporation 401(k) Plan for the plan year that ended December 31, 2004.