

METHODE ELECTRONICS INC  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 19, 2002**

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**METHODE ELECTRONICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b>	<b>0-2816</b>	<b>36-2090085</b>
State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation	Commission File Number	I.R.S. Employer Identification Number
<b>7401 West Wilson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60706</b>		
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)		

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(708) 867-6777**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**ITEM 5. Other Events**

On August 19, 2002, Methode Electronics, Inc. ("Methode") entered into an agreement with the William J. McGinley Marital Trusts to make a tender offer to purchase all of Methode's outstanding shares of Class B common stock at a price per share of \$20.00 in cash. Methode's Class A common stock will not be subject to the tender offer.

Although the Class B common stock represents only approximately three percent of Methode's outstanding equity securities, under Methode's charter, it is entitled to elect approximately 75% of Methode's board of directors. The tender offer will be contingent upon a sufficient number of shares of Class B common stock being tendered so that upon closing the tender offer, less than 100,000 shares of Class B common stock remain outstanding. Under Methode's charter, the right of the Class B common stock to elect approximately 75% of Methode's board of directors is eliminated once the number of outstanding shares of Class B common stock falls below 100,000. The offer will be subject to a number of other standard terms and conditions to be specified in the offer to purchase that will be distributed to the holders of the Class B common stock.



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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Agreement dated August 19, 2002 by and among Methode Electronics, Inc.; Marital Trust No. 1 and Marital Trust No. 2 each created under the William J. McGinley Trust; Jane R. McGinley; Margaret J. McGinley; James W. McGinley; and Robert R. McGinley.
99.2	Methode Electronics, Inc. Press Release issued August 20, 2002.

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