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THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC  
Form 8-K  
August 29, 2003

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) August 29, 2003

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

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5426  
(Commission File Number)

61-0505332  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

4360 Brownsboro Road, Suite 300  
Louisville, Kentucky  
(Address of principal executive offices)

40207  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code  
502/893-4600

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

ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
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99.1	Press Release dated August 29, 2003 announcing gain as a result of the settlement of a patent infringement lawsuit by Genlyte Thomas Group LLC.

ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

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On August 29, 2003, Thomas Industries issued a press release announcing gain as a result of the settlement of a patent infringement lawsuit by Genlyte Thomas Group LLC. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated by reference.

The information in this Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference in any other filing under the Securities Exchange Act or Securities Act of 1933 except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference to this Form 8-K in such filing.

### 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 hereunto duly authorized.

THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Phillip J. Stuecker

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Phillip J. Stuecker, Vice President of  
Finance, Chief Financial Officer, and  
Secretary

Dated: August 29, 2003