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TERRA INDUSTRIES INC Form 8-K July 23, 2009

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): July 23, 2009

TERRA INDUSTRIES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 1-8520 52-1145429

(State or other Jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Incorporation)

Terra Centre 600 Fourth Street, P.O. Box 6000

Sioux City, Iowa 51102-6000 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (712) 277-1340

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

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On July 23, 2009, Terra Industries Inc. issued a press release setting forth Terra Industries Inc. s second quarter earnings and announcing a cash dividend. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press Release issued July 23, 2009 reporting second quarter results and announcing a cash dividend. **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, thereunto duly authorized.

TERRA INDUSTRIES INC.

/s/ John W. Huey

John W. Huey Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: July 23, 2009