THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC
Form 8-K
May 21, 2004

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): May 20, 2004

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

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5426	61-0505332
(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
4360 Brownsboro Road, Suite 300 Louisville (Address of principal executive offices)	40207 (Zip Code)

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

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On May 20, 2004, Thomas Industries Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its agreement to sell its joint venture interest in Genlyte Thomas Group LLC to The Genlyte Group Incorporated and announcing a conference call and webcast scheduled for Friday, May 21, 2004. The press release is attached as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

Number No.	Description
2	Purchase Agreement dated May 20, 2004 among Genlyte Thomas Group LLC, The Genlyte Group Incorporated and the Company.

99	Press release dated May 20, 2004 by the Company announcing agreement to sell joint venture interest

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.

By: /s/ Phillip J. Stuecker

Dated: May 20, 2004

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