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**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: April 30, 2004**  
*(Date of earliest event reported)*

**The Manitowoc Company, Inc.**  
*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Wisconsin**  
*(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)*

**1-11978**  
*(Commission File Number)*

**39-0448110**  
*(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)*

**2400 S. 44<sup>th</sup> Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54221-0066**  
*(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)*

**(920) 684-4410**  
*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

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Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On April 30, 2004, The Manitowoc Company, Inc. issued a press release announcing it completed the sale of its Delta Manlift subsidiary and certain other assets to JLG Industries. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

THE MANITOWOC COMPANY, INC.  
(Registrant)

DATE: May 3, 2004

/s/ Timothy M. Wood  
Timothy M. Wood  
Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

**THE MANITOWOC COMPANY, INC.**

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**TO**

**FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT**

**Dated as of April 30, 2004**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Furnished Herewith</u>
99.1	Press release announcing the sale of Delta Manlift and certain other assets to JLG Industries	X



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***NEWS for Immediate Release***

**THE MANITOWOC COMPANY COMPLETES SALE OF DELTA MANLIFT SUBSIDIARY  
AND CERTAIN OTHER ASSETS TO JLG INDUSTRIES**

**MANITOWOC, WI** — April 30, 2004 — The Manitowoc Company (NYSE: MTW) today announced the completion of the sale of its Delta Manlift subsidiary to JLG Industries, Inc. On March 29, Manitowoc announced that JLG had made a binding offer for the business, subject to the completion of definitive agreements, the receipt of customary approvals, and receipt of Delta works council advice. Those conditions were met much sooner than expected allowing for today's completion of the transaction.

“With the completion of the sale, Manitowoc exits the aerial work platform segment and will concentrate on its core crane businesses, manufacturing crawler, tower, and mobile telescopic cranes, as well as boom trucks,” said Terry D. Growcock, chairman and chief executive officer.

Manitowoc will continue to provide dedicated aftermarket parts and service support for its recently discontinued aerial work platform product lines, primarily Liftflux, U.S. Manlift, and the U.S. parts business, through its Manitowoc CraneCARE operations. In addition to the Delta transaction, JLG has acquired certain intellectual property and related assets of Manitowoc's discontinued product lines.

Headquartered in Tonneins, France, Delta manufactures the Toucan brand of vertical mast lifts, a line of aerial work platforms distributed throughout Europe for use in industrial and maintenance operations.

**About The Manitowoc Company, Inc.**

The Manitowoc Company, Inc. is one of the world's largest providers of lifting equipment for the global construction industry, including lattice-boom cranes, tower cranes, mobile telescopic cranes, and boom trucks. As a leading manufacturer of ice-cube machines, ice/beverage dispensers, and commercial refrigeration equipment, the company offers the broadest line of cold-focused equipment in the foodservice industry. In addition, the company is a leading provider of shipbuilding, ship repair, and conversion services for government, military, and commercial customers throughout the U.S. maritime industry.

***Forward-looking Statements***

*Any statements contained herein that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and involve risks and uncertainties. Potential factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements. These statements and potential factors include, but are not limited to, those relating to: (i) general economic and market conditions, (ii) risks associated with acquisitions, divestitures, and integration efforts, (iii) geographic factors and political and economic risks, and other factors detailed in Manitowoc's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.*

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