

SIMPSON MANUFACTURING CO INC /CA/  
Form 8-K  
May 20, 2003

**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): **May 20, 2003**

**Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**0-23804**  
(Commission  
file number)

**94-3196943**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**4120 Dublin Boulevard, Suite 400, Dublin, CA 94568**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code): **(925) 560-9000**

**Item 5. Other Events.**

On May 20, 2003, Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc. announced the purchase of MGA Construction Hardware & Steel Fabrication Limited and MGA Connectors Limited in a press release reproduced below:

**PRESS RELEASE May 20, 2003**

SIMPSON MANUFACTURING CO., INC. ANNOUNCES

PURCHASE OF CANADIAN CONNECTOR COMPANY

Dublin, CA Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc. (NYSE: SSD) announced today that Simpson Strong-Tie Canada Limited, its wholly-owned Canadian subsidiary, has completed the purchase of 100% of the equity of MGA Construction Hardware & Steel Fabricating Limited and MGA Connectors Limited, both Canadian federal corporations (collectively, MGA ), for approximately USD \$9.8 million in cash. MGA manufactures and distributes throughout Canada and portions of the United States a quality line of connectors used in construction.

Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc., headquartered in Dublin, California, through its subsidiary, Simpson Strong-Tie Company Inc., designs, engineers and is a leading manufacturer of wood-to-wood, wood-to-concrete and wood-to-masonry connectors, and through its subsidiary, Simpson Dura-Vent Company, Inc., designs, engineers and manufactures venting systems for gas and wood burning appliances. The Company's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SSD.

For further information, contact Barclay Simpson at (925) 560-9032.

**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.

**Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc.**  
(Registrant)

**DATE:** May 20, 2003

By /s/Michael J. Herbert  
Michael J. Herbert  
Chief Financial Officer