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): April 26, 2011

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania0-911525-0644320(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

<u>Two NorthShore Center, Pittsburgh, PA</u> (Address of principal executive offices)

15212-5851 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (412) 442-8200

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On April 26, 2011, Matthews International Corporation announced the completion of its purchase of the remaining 22% ownership interest in Saueressig GmbH & Co. KG ("Saueressig"). Matthews purchased its initial 78% ownership interest in May 2008. Saueressig, which is headquartered in Germany, is a leading European provider of pre-press services and gravure printing forms. The purchase price for the remaining 22% interest was 19.3 million Euros.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated April 26, 2011, issued by Matthews International Corporation.

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.

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

By Steven F. Nicola

Steven F. Nicola Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

Date: April 27, 2011

Exhibit

99.1 Matthews International Corporation Corporate Office Two NorthShore Center Pittsburgh, PA 15212-5851 Phone: (412) 442-8200 Fax: (412) 442-8290

Release date: April 26, 2011

Contact: Steven F. Nicola Chief Financial Officer, Secretary & Treasurer 412-442-8262

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION ANNOUNCES THE COMPLETION OF THE PURCHASE OF THE REMAINING INTEREST IN SAUERESSIG GMBH & CO. KG

PITTSBURGH, PA, April 26, 2011 -- Matthews International Corporation (NASDAQ GSM: MATW) today announced the completion of its purchase of the remaining 22% ownership interest in Saueressig GmbH & Co. KG ("Saueressig"). Matthews purchased its initial 78% ownership interest in May 2008. Saueressig, which is headquartered in Germany, is a leading European provider of pre-press services and gravure printing forms.

Matthews International Corporation, headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a designer, manufacturer and marketer principally of memorialization products and brand solutions. Memorialization products consist primarily of bronze and granite memorials and other memorialization products, caskets and cremation equipment for the cemetery and funeral home industries. Brand solutions include graphics imaging products and services, marking products, and merchandising solutions. The Company's products and services include cast bronze and granite memorials and other memorialization products; caskets; cast and etched architectural products; cremation equipment and cremation-related products; mausoleums; brand management; printing plates and cylinders, pre-press services and imaging services for the primary packaging and corrugated industries; marking and coding equipment and consumables, and industrial automation products for identifying, tracking and conveying various consumer and industrial products, components and packaging containers; and merchandising display systems and marketing and design services.