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) OCTOBER 21, 2003

PATRICK INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-3922 35-1057796 TNDTANA

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

1800 SOUTH 14TH STREET, P.O. BOX 638, ELKHART, INDIANA) _____

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code (574) 294-7511

NOT APPLICABLE

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

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits:

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 21, 2003 announcing

third quarter 2003 earnings.

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 21, 2003, Patrick Industries, Inc. issued a press release setting forth Patrick Industries, Inc.'s third quarter 2003 earnings. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and hereby incorporated by reference.

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.

> PATRICK INDUSTRIES, INC. (Registrant)

DATE OCTOBER 21, 2003

BY /s/ Andy L. Nemeth

Andy L. Nemeth Vice President - Finance and Chief Financial Officer

OCTOBER 21, 2003

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: ANDY L. NEMETH

PATRICK INDUSTRIES, INC. REPORTS THIRD QUARTER AND NINE-MONTHS RESULTS

Elkhart, Indiana - - - - Keith V. Kankel, President and Chief Executive Officer, announced increased earnings for the third quarter 2003. The Company reported net income for the three months ended September 30, 2003 of \$228,000, or \$.05 per share, compared to net income of \$153,000, or \$.03 per share, in the same period in 2002. Year to date for 2003 the net loss was reduced to \$647,000, or \$.14 per share, compared to net income of \$1,059,000, or \$.23 per share, in 2002. Net sales for the quarter ending September 30, 2003 were \$70,267,000, or 13.1% less than the \$80,848,000 reported in the same period in 2002. For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, net sales were \$208,502,000, or 12.6% less than the \$238,658,000 reported in the same period in 2002. Included in the 2003 operating results is a charge for restructuring of \$235,000, or \$.03 per share net of tax, related to the closing of one of the Company's underperforming cabinet door operating units, as well as a gain on sale of fixed assets of approximately \$158,000, or \$.02 per share net of tax, related to the sale of one of the Company's idle manufacturing facilities.

The Manufactured Housing Industry, which represents 41% of the Company's sales through September, continued its decline as August shipments for both the month and year to date were down almost 25% from the 2002 levels. Alternatively, the Recreational Vehicle Industry, which represents another 32% of the Company's sales through September, continued its robust pace as shipments were up almost 2% from the previous year through August. The Company experienced increased penetration into the industrial and other customer markets, which represents approximately 27% of the 2003 sales.

Mr. Kankel said, "While shipment levels in the Manufacturing Housing Industry continue their negative trend, we are pleased to report improved operating results for the quarter. Our gross profit percentages have continued to increase on a quarterly basis in 2003 and we have remained diligent in our efforts to keep operating costs aligned with revenues. As we brace for the anticipated seasonal decline in sales volume in the fourth quarter, we continue to focus on strategic growth opportunities and diversification efforts, as well as new product introductions and capital improvements. This Company is well positioned to take advantage of any upturn in the markets to which we serve."

Patrick Industries is a major component products manufacturer and supplier of building products serving the Manufactured Housing, Recreational Vehicle, Furniture, Marine, Architectural and Automotive aftermarkets, and operates coast to coast in 13 states.

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PATRICK INDUSTRIES, INC.
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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INCOME STATEMENT

Selling, general, and

THREE MONTHS ENDED NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30 SEPTEMBER 30 2003 2002 2003 2002 --------<S> <C> <C> <C> Net sales \$ 70,267,000 \$ 80,848,000 \$208,502,000 \$238,658,000 Cost of goods sold 61,358,000 70,498,000 183,960,000 207,717,000 Warehouse and delivery expenses 3,842,000 3,203,000 9,593,000 10,901,000

administrative expenses 17,300,000	4,918,000	6,058,000	1	5,223,000
Restructuring charges	235,000			235,000
269,000 Interest expense, net	177,000	195,000		561,000
706,000 Income (loss) before income taxes	376,000	255 , 000	(1,070,000)
1,765,000 Income taxes (credit) 706,000	148,000	102,000		(423,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) \$ 1,059,000	\$ 228,000	\$ 153 , 000	\$	(647,000)
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE \$.23	\$.05	\$.03	\$	(.14)
Weighted average shares outstanding 4,543,404	4,611,037	4,556,136		4,595,306

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BALANCE SHEET

			SEPTEMBER 30	
		2003		2002
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CURRENT ASSETS	\C>		<0>	
Cash and temporary investments	\$	5,396,000	Ġ	982,000
Trade receivables, net		18,586,000		22,826,000
Inventories		28,959,000		36,194,000
Income taxes receivable		285,000		
Prepaid expenses		1,137,000		630,000
Deferred tax assets		1,981,000		2,170,000
Total current assets		56,344,000		62,802,000
Total current assets		36,344,000		02,002,000
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET		30,404,000		33,236,000
DEFERRED ASSETS				231,000
INTANGIBLE AND OTHER ASSETS		2,619,000		2,959,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8	89,367,000	\$	99,228,000
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Current maturities of long-term debt	Ċ	3,671,000	Ċ	3,671,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		16,119,000		20,385,000
Income taxes payable	-			529,000
Total current liabilities	-	19,790,000		24,585,000
TOTAL CULTER TRADITIONS	-	19,790,000		24,303,000
LONG-TERM DEBT, LESS CURRENT MATURITIES		8,471,000		12,143,000
DEFERRED LIABILITIES		2,450,000		2,252,000
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	į	58,656,000		60,248,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 8	89,367,000	\$	99,228,000

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