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 20, 2000

AMERIGON INCORPORATED (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California 0-21810 (State or other jurisdiction of(Commission (I incorporation or organization)File Number) Ider

95-4318554 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5462 Irwindale Avenue Irwindale, California 91706 (626) 815-7400 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Item 5. Other Events.

On October 20, 2000, the Company deposited \$1.0 million in escrow in connection with its discussions to acquire a manufacturer of related automotive products. The \$1.0 million could either be forfeited or returned under certain circumstances. Successful completion of a transaction will be dependent upon the satisfactory completion of due diligence, entering into a definitive acquisition agreement, final approval by the Amerigon Board of Directors, as well as financing and other customary closing conditions. There is no guarantee that a transaction will be completed.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMERIGON INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Craig Newell Craig Newell Vice President, Finance

Date: November 8, 2000