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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**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): August 25, 2009

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**AMERIGON INCORPORATED**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**0-21810**  
(Commission  
File Number)

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

**21680 Haggerty Road, Ste. 101, Northville, MI**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**48167**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (248) 504-0500

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the follow provisions:

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 250.13e-4(c))
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**Section 1 - 7. Not applicable.**

**Section 8. Other Events**

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On August 25, 2009, the Company publicly announced the establishment of a partnership with 5N Plus Inc. to develop and manufacture advanced thermoelectric materials. A copy of the news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The information in the attached Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly stated by specific reference in such filing.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibit 99.1 Company News Release dated August 25, 2009

**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.

**AMERIGON INCORPORATED**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ BARRY G. STEELE  
Barry G. Steele,  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 25, 2009

Exhibit Index

99.1 Company News Release dated August 25, 2009

**Amerigon and 5N Plus Establish Partnership to Develop and Manufacture Advanced Thermoelectric Materials****More Efficient Materials Enable Use of Thermoelectric Technology In Wide Variety of Industrial, Automotive Applications**

NORTHVILLE, Mich., Aug. 25 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ — Amerigon Incorporated (Nasdaq: ARGN), a leader in developing and marketing products based on advanced thermoelectric (TE) technologies, and 5N Plus Inc. (TSX: VNP), a developer and producer of high-purity metals and compounds for electronic applications, today announced that they have established a partnership, to be called “ZT Plus”, to develop and manufacture advanced, more efficient thermoelectric materials designed to enable the use of TE technology in a wide variety of heating and cooling and power generation applications for industrial, consumer, medical, electronics and automotive markets. Nicholas Audet, Manager of Research and Development of 5N Plus, will lead the new partnership in its initial stages.

Amerigon’s advanced technology subsidiary BSST along with its university partners have performed extensive research into the development of the next generation of TE materials. They have successfully developed materials that significantly outperform the best presently available TE materials. This partnership between Amerigon and 5N Plus is intended to allow for the completion of the development of these advanced materials and the creation of innovative manufacturing capabilities to produce the materials in volume, and in a cost-efficient manner.

“Our partnership with 5N Plus combines the intellectual property and expertise in thermoelectrics of Amerigon’s BSST subsidiary, and its university partners, with the experience in the purification, compounding and manufacturing of thermoelectric materials of 5N Plus,” said Lon E. Bell, President of BSST. “The agreement grants BSST the right to purchase these new, more efficient materials for early use in the automotive, power generation from waste heat, and HVAC markets.”

“This is an important milestone for Amerigon and allows us to continue our global leadership in thermoelectric technology and to continue to bring efficient, effective and practical thermoelectric solutions to market,” said Amerigon President and Chief Executive Officer Daniel R. Coker. “The development of more efficient materials is the key to unlocking the vast potential of our thermoelectric technology and to creating new products for a broad variety of global markets.”

5N Plus President and Chief Executive Officer Jacques L’Ecuyer said, “We are a leader in specialty materials for the electronics industry and see a unique opportunity to team-up with Amerigon, an industry leader in advanced thermoelectric technologies. We believe this new relationship will allow us to diversify and expand our business into additional high-growth markets with a strong clean technology focus, for example waste heat recovery applications. We are excited about these opportunities and as a result have seconded our manager of research and development to the new partnership to lead these activities in its early stages.”

Amerigon is the largest supplier of thermoelectric devices to the automotive industry through the shipment of more than 4.6 million units of its Climate Control Seat(R) (CCS(R)), the world’s first thermoelectric-based cooled and heated seat.

ZT Plus has been structured as a general partnership under the laws of Delaware. The Joint Venture Partnership Agreement entered into between 5N Plus and Amerigon’s subsidiary BSST provides that 5N Plus will make an initial cash contribution and BSST will assign certain contracts and intellectual property to the partnership.

*About 5N Plus Inc.*

5N Plus draws its name from the purity of its products, 99.999% (five nines or 5N) and more. 5N Plus, which has its head office in Montreal, Quebec, develops and produces high-purity metals and compounds for electronic applications and provides its customers with recycling solutions. The Company is an integrated producer with both primary and secondary refining capabilities. 5N Plus focuses on specialty metals such as tellurium, cadmium and selenium and on related compounds such as cadmium telluride and cadmium sulphide. The Company's products are critical precursors in a number of electronic applications, including the rapidly-expanding solar (thin-film photovoltaic) market, for which 5N Plus is a major supplier of cadmium telluride, and the radiation detector and thermoelectric markets.

*About Amerigon*

Amerigon (NASDAQ: ARGN) develops products based on its advanced, proprietary, efficient thermoelectric (TE) technologies for a wide range of global markets and heating and cooling applications. The Company's current principal product is its proprietary Climate Control Seat(R) (CCS(R)) system, a solid-state, TE-based system that permits drivers and passengers of vehicles to individually and actively control the heating and cooling of their respective seats to ensure maximum year-round comfort. CCS, which is the only system of its type on the market today, uses no CFCs or other environmentally sensitive coolants. Amerigon maintains sales and technical support centers in Southern California, Detroit, Japan, Germany, England and Korea.

*Certain matters discussed in this release are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, and actual results may be different. Important factors that could cause Amerigon's actual results to differ materially from expectations in this release are risks that sales may not significantly increase, additional financing, if necessary, may not be available, new competitors may arise and adverse conditions in the automotive industry may negatively affect its results. The liquidity and trading price of Amerigon's common stock may be negatively affected by these and other factors. Please also refer to Amerigon's Securities and Exchange Commission filings and reports, including, but not limited to, its Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2009, and its Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.*

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