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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): March 18, 2005 (March 18, 2005)

Crompton Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u>	<u>0-30270</u>	<u>52-2183153</u>
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission file number)	(IRS employer
of incorporation)		identification

of incorporation) identification number)

199 Benson Road, Middlebury, Connecticut 06749

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(203) 573-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Crompton Corporation announced today that it has entered into a definitive agreement to sell its Refined Products business to Sun Capital Partners Group Inc. for \$80 million, subject to adjustment. The transaction is subject to regulatory and other approvals and the negotiation of certain ongoing supply arrangements. The transaction is expected to close within 60 days.

Refined Products had 2004 revenues of approximately \$265 million. Included in the sale are facilities in Petrolia, Pennsylvania; and Amsterdam, Koog aan de Zaan and Haarlem, the Netherlands. The business employs 470 people, who will remain with the Refined Products business.

A copy of a press release announcing the transaction is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is herein incorporated by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release Dated March 18, 2005

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.

Crompton Corporation (Registrant)

By /s/ Barry J. Shainman Name: Barry J. Shainman

Title: Secretary

Date: March 18, 2005

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99.1 Press Release Dated March 18, 2005