

CHAMPION INDUSTRIES INC  
Form 8-K  
April 25, 2008

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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 22,  
2008

Champion Industries, Inc.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

West Virginia

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-21084

55-0717455

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(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2450 First Avenue

P. O. Box 2968

Huntington, West Virginia

25728

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(Address of Principal Executive  
Offices)

(Zip Code)

(304) 528-2700

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

On April 22, 2008, Champion Industries, Inc. (“Champion”) executed and delivered to First Bank of Charleston, of Charleston West Virginia, a Promissory Note dated April 22, 2008 in principal amount of \$767,852.00 bearing interest at the variable “Wall Street Journal” prime rate and maturing May 5, 2013, with 60 monthly payments of principal and interest in amount of \$14,634.09 each, the final payment including all principal and accrued interest not yet paid. The note is governed by a business loan agreement dated April 22, 2008 and secured by a Commercial Security Agreement dated April 22, 2008 creating a security interest in all equipment purchased from Bowe Bell & Howell including but not limited to Criterion IV, MLOCR sorting system, readers, tables, bins, sorters, modules, racks, trays, and software.

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.

CHAMPION INDUSTRIES, INC.

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(Registrant)

Date: April 25, 2008

/s/ Todd R. Fry

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Todd R. Fry, Senior Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	PROMISSORY NOTE
10.2	SECURITY AGREEMENT
10.3	BUSINESS LOAN AGREEMENT