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May 18, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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): May 17, 2004  
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THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Ohio	1-04851	34-0526850
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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

101 Prospect Avenue, N.W., Cleveland, Ohio 44115

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (216) 566-2000  
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Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure.  
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On May 17, 2004, The Sherwin-Williams Company issued a press release announcing the signing of a definitive agreement for the purchase of 100% of the stock of Duron, Inc. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.  
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(c) Exhibits

99 Press Release of The Sherwin-Williams Company, dated May 17, 2004.

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## SIGNATURES

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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.

THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY

May 18, 2004

By: /s/ L.E. Stellato

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L.E. Stellato  
Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

## EXHIBIT INDEX

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