

KAMAN CORP
Form 8-K
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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): October 21,
2002

KAMAN CORPORATION
(Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter)

Connecticut	0-1093	06-0613548
(State or other jurisdictions of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1332 Blue Hills Avenue
Bloomfield, CT 06002
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:
(860)243-7100

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last
report)

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Item 5. Other Events

The Company issued a press release dated October 21, 2002 announcing that it has acquired Latin Percussion, Inc., a privately held company based in Garfield, N.J. LP was founded in 1964 and is a global distributor of a wide range of Latin percussion instruments. Its main product line is conga drums marketed under the brand names LP, LP Aspire and Matador. LP currently operates out of two facilities in Garfield and employs about 75 people. LP's revenues for 2002 are projected to be about \$20 million. Terms of the purchase are not being disclosed.

LP will operate as a separate subsidiary within the Company's Music Distribution segment. Kaman Music is the nation's largest independent distributor of music instruments and accessories. In addition to its percussion lines, Kaman's music products include its own proprietary Ovation and Hamer guitars, the Takamine guitar line, and an extensive offering of other music instruments and accessories.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.
Not Applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information.
Not Applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

The following document is filed as an Exhibit to this Report:

Exhibit 99 - Press Release of the Company, dated October 21, 2002.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

KAMAN CORPORATION

/s/Robert M. Garneau
Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial
Officer

Dated: October 21, 2002

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Exhibit	Description
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