BRUSH WELLMAN INC

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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 2, 2000

BRUSH WELLMAN INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-7006 (Commission File No.) 34-0119320 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44110 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (216) 486-4200

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events.

On May 2, 2000, Brush Wellman Inc. distributed the press release that is incorporated herein by reference and is being filed as an exhibit to the report on this form.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

Exhibit	Description of Exhibit
99	Press Release of Brush Wellman Inc. dated May 2, 2000.

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.

BRUSH WELLMAN INC.

By: /s/ Michael C. Hasychak Michael C. Hasychak

Vice President, Secretary and

Treasurer

Date: May 9, 2000

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit 99

BRUSH WELLMAN SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE REORGANIZATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Cleveland, Ohio -- May 2, 2000 -- Shareholders of Brush Wellman Inc. (NYSE - BW) today approved the reorganization of the Company's capital and corporate structure. Through a merger, Brush Wellman will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of a holding company, Brush Engineered Materials Inc., with a single class of common stock. The merger is expected to be effective May 16, 2000. The stock, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, will continue to trade under the symbol BW.

Commenting on the shareholder approval of the reorganization, Mr. Harnett stated "We believe the reorganization and new structure approved today will enhance shareholder value by providing investors a better understanding of the value of each of our independent businesses and the ability to focus on, and capture, the unique growth opportunity of each business. This new structure is consistent with our long-term strategy, provides the added flexibility to take advantage of the opportunities presented by the rapid growth of our worldwide markets and allows us to more easily consider alternatives to extract value from those individual businesses for our shareholders."

In addition, shareholders reelected Gordon D. Harnett, David H. Hoag and William P. Madar to the Board of Directors. Shareholders also confirmed the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as independent auditors for the Company.

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The Company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with Beryllium Products, Alloy Products, Electronic Products, Precious Metal Products, and Engineered Material Systems.

For further information, please contact:

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