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 5, 1998

SPX Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-6948

Delaware (State of incorporation)

1-6948
(Commission File Number) 38-1016240
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

700 Terrace Point Drive, Muskegon, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)

49443-3301 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (616) 724-5000

Item 5. OTHER EVENTS

The shareholders of SPX Corporation and General Signal Corporation approved the merger of the two companies at their respective special meetings held on October 5, 1998.

- Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS
 - (C) Exhibits

Exhibit 99 Joint Press Release, dated October 5, 1998, issued by SPX Corporation and General Signal Corporation.

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.

> SPX CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/Christopher J. Kearney -----Christopher J. Kearney Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Date: October 5, 1998

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SPX AND GENERAL SIGNAL SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE MERGER

MUSKEGON, MI - October 5, 1998 - SPX Corporation (NYSE:SPW) and General Signal Corporation (NYSE:GSX) today announced that both SPX and General Signal shareholders have approved the merger of the two companies. SPX and General Signal expect to complete the transaction tomorrow, October 6, 1998.

On July 20, 1998, SPX announced that the Board of Directors of both SPX and General Signal had approved a definitive merger agreement.

General Signal Corporation is a leading manufacturer of quality products for the process control, electrical control and industrial technology industries worldwide. General Signal's Internet address is www.generalsignal.com.

SPX Corporation is a global provider of Vehicle Service Solutions to franchised dealers and independent service locations, Service Support to Vehicle Manufacturers, and Vehicle Components to the worldwide motor vehicle industry. The Internet address for SPX Corporation's home page is www.spx.com.

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