## 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) September 10, 2003

NEWELL RUBBERMAID INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9608 (Commission

36-3514169 (IRS Employer

File Number) Identification No.)

Deerfield Corporate Centre One 13010 Morris Road, Suite 100 Alpharetta, Georgia (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

30004

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (770) 670-2232

Item 5. Other Events.

On September 10, 2003, the Registrant issued a press release announcing the appointment of the Bank of New York, headquartered in New York, New York, as its new stock transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursement and reinvestment agent, effective September 29, 2003. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated September 10,

2003.

## **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.

NEWELL RUBBERMAID INC.

By: /s/ Dale L. Matschullat Date: September 10, 2003

Dale L. Matschullat Vice President - General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

# EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Press Release dated September 10, 2003

## PRESS RELEASE DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2003

Newell Rubbermaid Announces New Stock Transfer Agent Effective September 29, 2003

ATLANTA, September 10, 2003 - Newell Rubbermaid Inc. (NYSE: NWL) today announced that the Bank of New York (BoNY), headquartered in New York, NY, will become the stock transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursement and reinvestment agent for Newell Rubbermaid, effective September 29, 2003. BoNY, which is not affiliated with Newell Rubbermaid in any other way, has been providing leadership in efficient stock transfer services to corporate clients for more than 60 years.

Shareholders are asked not to contact the Bank of New York until Monday, September 29, 2003. Shareholders may continue to contact Newell Rubbermaid's current stock transfer agent and registrar, EquiServe, through Friday, September 26, 2003 for any shareholder related questions.

During and after September 29, 2003, shareholders may contact The Bank of New York in several ways:

### By Phone:

The Bank's Customer Service Representatives can be reached at 1-800-432-0140 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. eastern standard time, Monday through Friday.

By Website:

www.stockbny.com

By Email:

Email Address: shareowner-svcs@bankofny.com

By Mail:

Address Shareholder Inquiries To:
The Bank of New York
Shareholder Relations Department - 8W
P. O. Box 11258
Church Street Station
New York, NY 10286

Send Certificates For Transfer and Address Changes To:
The Bank of New York
Receive and Deliver Department - 11W
P. 0. Box 11002
Church Street Station
New York, NY 10286

Newell Rubbermaid Inc. is a global marketer of consumer products with 2002 sales of over \$7 billion and a powerful brand family including Sharpie{R}, Paper Mate{R}, Parker{R}, Waterman{R}, Colorific{R}, Rubbermaid{R}, Stain Shield , Blue Ice{R}, TakeAlongs{R}, Roughneck{R}, Brute{R}, Calphalon{R}, Little Tikes{R}, Graco{R}, Levolor{R}, Kirsch{R}, Shur-Line{R}, BernzOmatic{R}, Goody{R}, Vise-

 $Grip\{R\},\ Quick-Grip\{R\},\ IRWIN\{R\},\ Lenox\{R\},\ and\ Marathon\{R\}.$  The company is headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia and employs approximately 43,000 people worldwide.