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#### **GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP**

CIK: **43362** | IRS No.: **951765035** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**  
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SIC: **2890** Miscellaneous chemical products

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Act of 1934**

Date of Report: **May 2, 2005**

Date of Earliest Event Reported: **April 29, 2005**

**Commission file number 1-6450**

**GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**95-1765035**

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**9025 NORTH RIVER ROAD, SUITE 400**

**INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46240**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **317-715-3000**

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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On April 29, 2005, Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the required waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 related to the Company's proposed merger with Crompton Corporation has expired. A copy of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**(c) Exhibits**

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release Dated April 29, 2005

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 2, 2005

By: /s/ William L. Sherwood  
William L. Sherwood  
Vice President and  
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news release

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

(Issued April 29, 2005)

**GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL ANNOUNCES EXPIRATION OF  
HART-SCOTT-RODINO WAITING PERIOD IN PROPOSED MERGER  
WITH CROMPTON CORPORATION**

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA—Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE:GLK) today announced that the required waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 has expired. This satisfies U.S. premerger notification requirements for the proposed merger between Great Lakes and Crompton Corporation (NYSE:CK).

Approval of the transaction by European competition authorities is still pending.

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Great Lakes Chemical Corporation is the world's leading producer of certain specialty chemicals for such applications as water treatment, household cleaners, flame retardants, polymer stabilizers, fire suppressants, and performance products. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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