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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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**NN, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as  
specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or  
organization)

**62-1096725**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**2000 Waters Edge Drive**  
**Johnson City, Tennessee 37604**  
**(423) 743-9151**  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including  
area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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including area code, of agent for service)

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:** From time to  
time after this Registration Statement becomes effective, as determined by  
market conditions and other factors.

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If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant  
to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. | |

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delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest investment plans, check the following box. |X|

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. | |

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If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box. | |

### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered	Proposed maximum offering price per share	Proposed maximum Aggregate offering price
Primary Offering: Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	(1)	(1)	\$ 36,000,000 (2)
Secondary Offering: Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	4,033,749 shares	\$ 9.39 (3)	\$ 37,876,903 (3)
<b>TOTAL</b>	N/A	N/A	\$ 73,876,903

(1) Not required in accordance with Rule 457(o).

(2) Determined in accordance with Rule 457(o).

(3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457 based on the average of the high and low sales prices on September 24, 2002 as reported by the Nasdaq National Market.

**The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.**

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2002

Prospectus

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[LOGO]  
NN, INC.  
COMMON STOCK

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**\$36,000,000 of Company Shares**

**4,033,749 of Selling Stockholders Shares**

By this prospectus from time to time, we may offer and sell shares of our common stock, par value \$.01 per share, having an aggregate offering price of up to \$36,000,000.

Up to 4,033,749 shares of common stock may be sold from time to time in one or more offerings by the selling stockholders identified on page 12. We will not receive any proceeds from sales of shares of our common stock by the selling stockholders.

When we offer securities, we will provide you with a prospectus supplement before we or any of the selling stockholders sell any common stock under this prospectus. Any prospectus supplement will inform you about the specific terms of an offering by us or any selling stockholder, will list the names of any underwriters or agents, and may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus, the documents that are incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement carefully before investing. This prospectus may not be used to sell any common stock unless it is accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

We may offer these securities directly to investors, or through agents, underwriters or dealers. See "Plan of Distribution" on page 13. Each prospectus supplement will provide the terms of the plan of distribution relating to each offering of common stock.

Our common stock is quoted on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "NNBR."

**Investing in our common stock involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4 to read about the risks you should consider before buying our common stock.**

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**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this**

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**prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

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The date of this Prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2002

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### **ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission using a "shelf" registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may, from time to time, offer and sell shares of our common stock described in this prospectus in one or more offerings up to a total dollar amount of \$36,000,000. In addition, up to 4,033,749 shares of our common stock may be sold from time to time in one or more offerings by several of our stockholders. We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of the shares by the selling stockholders.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we or the selling stockholders sell common stock, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the method and terms of that offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. If there is any inconsistency between the information in this prospectus and a prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in that prospectus supplement. You should read both this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement together with additional information described below under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information." You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of each document. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

You should rely only upon the information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this document. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or

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inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

We and the selling stockholders may sell the common stock to or through underwriters, dealers or agents or directly to purchasers. The applicable prospectus supplement will provide the names of any underwriters, dealers or agents involved in the sale of the common stock, and any applicable fee, commission or discount arrangements with them. For a more detailed description of the various means by which we may distribute the common stock, you should read the information under the heading "Plan of Distribution."

As used in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, the terms "we," "us," "our," "NN" or the "Company," refer collectively to NN, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

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### RISK FACTORS

*You should carefully consider the following risks and uncertainties and any risks and uncertainties contained in the accompanying prospectus supplement, and all other information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and the prospectus supplement, before making an investment in our common stock. The risks described below are not the only ones facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial may also impair our business operations. Any of the following risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operating results. In such case, the trading price of our common stock could decline and you may lose all or part of your investment.*

***We depend heavily on a relatively limited number of customers, and the loss of any major customer would have a material adverse effect on our business.***

Sales to various U.S. and foreign divisions of SKF, which is one of the largest bearing manufacturers in the world, accounted for approximately 35% of consolidated net sales in 2001, and sales to INA/FAG accounted for approximately 19% of consolidated net sales in 2001. During 2001, our ten largest customers accounted for approximately 73% of our consolidated net sales. None of our other customers individually accounted for more than 5% of our consolidated net sales for 2001. The loss of all or a substantial portion of sales to these customers would have a material adverse effect on our business.

***The demand for our products is cyclical, which could adversely impact our revenues.***

The end markets for fully assembled bearings are cyclical and tend to decline in response to overall declines in industrial production. As a result, the market for bearing components is also cyclical and impacted by overall levels of industrial production. Our sales in the past have been negatively affected, and in the future will be negatively affected, by adverse conditions in the industrial production sector of the economy or by adverse global or national economic conditions generally.

***We may not be able to continue to make the acquisitions necessary for us to realize our growth strategy.***

Acquiring businesses that complement or expand our operations has been and continues to be an important element of our business strategy. We bought our plastic bearing component business in 1999, formed NN Euroball, ApS ("Euroball") with our two largest bearing customers, SKF and INA/FAG, in 2000 and acquired our bearing seal operations in 2001. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in identifying attractive acquisition candidates or completing acquisitions on favorable terms in the future. In addition, we may borrow funds to acquire other businesses, increasing our interest expense and debt levels. Our inability to acquire businesses, or to operate them profitably once acquired, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

***The costs and difficulties of integrating acquired business could impede our future growth.***

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We cannot assure you that any future acquisition will enhance our financial performance. Our ability to effectively integrate any future acquisitions will depend on, among other things, the adequacy of our implementation plans, the ability of our management to oversee and operate effectively the combined operations and our ability to achieve desired operating efficiencies and sales goals. If we are not able to integrate the operations of acquired companies successfully into our business, our future earnings and profitability could be materially and adversely affected.

***We depend on a very limited number of foreign sources for our primary raw material and are subject to risks of shortages and price fluctuation.***

The steel that we use to manufacture precision balls and rollers is of an extremely high quality and is available from a limited number of producers on a global basis. Due to quality constraints in the U.S. steel industry, we obtain substantially all of the steel used in our U.S. ball and roller production from overseas suppliers. In addition, we obtain substantially all of the steel used in our European ball production from a single European source. If we had to obtain steel from sources other than our current suppliers, particularly in the case of our European operations, we could face higher prices and transportation costs, increased duties or taxes, and shortages of steel. Problems in obtaining steel, and particularly 52100 chrome steel, in the quantities that we require and on commercially reasonable terms, could have a material adverse effect on the operating and financial results of our Company.

***We operate in and sell products to customers outside the U.S. and are subject to several related risks.***

Because we obtain a majority of our raw materials from overseas suppliers, actively participate in overseas manufacturing operations and sell to a large number of international customers, we face risks associated with the following:

- o adverse foreign currency fluctuations;
- o changes in trade, monetary and fiscal policies, laws and regulations, and other activities of governments, agencies and similar organizations;

- o the imposition of trade restrictions or prohibitions;
- o high tax rates that discourage the repatriation of funds to the U.S.;
- o the imposition of import or other duties or taxes; and
- o unstable governments or legal systems in countries in which our suppliers, manufacturing operations, and customers are located.

We do not have a hedging program in place to help limit the risk associated with consolidating the operating results of our foreign businesses into U.S. dollars. An increase in the value of the U.S. dollar and/or the Euro relative to other currencies may adversely affect our ability to

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compete with our foreign-based competitors for international, as well as domestic, sales. Also, a decline in the value of the Euro relative to the U.S. dollar will negatively impact our consolidated financial results, which are denominated in U.S. dollars.

***Our growth strategy depends on outsourcing, and if the industry trend toward outsourcing does not continue, our business could be adversely affected.***

Our growth strategy depends in significant part on major bearing manufacturers continuing to outsource components, and expanding the number of components being outsourced. This requires manufacturers to depart significantly from their traditional methods of operations. If major bearing manufacturers do not continue to expand outsourcing efforts or determine to reduce their use of outsourcing, our business could be materially adversely affected.

***Our market is highly competitive and many of our competitors have significant advantages that could adversely affect our business.***

The global market for bearing components is highly competitive, with a majority of production represented by the captive production operations of certain large bearing manufacturers and the balance represented by independent manufacturers. Captive manufacturers make components for internal use and for sale to third parties. All of the captive manufacturers, and many independent manufacturers, are significantly larger and have greater resources than do we. Our competitors are continuously exploring and implementing improvements in technology and manufacturing processes in order to improve product quality, and our ability to remain competitive will depend, among other things, on whether we are able to keep pace with such quality improvements in a cost effective manner.

***The production capacity we have added over the last several years has at times resulted in our having more capacity than we need, causing our operating costs to be higher than expected.***

We have significantly expanded our ball and roller production facilities and capacity over the last several years. During 1997, we built an additional manufacturing plant in Kilkenny, Ireland, and we continued this expansion in 2000 through the formation of Euroball with SKF and INA/FAG. Our ball and roller facilities currently are not operating at full capacity and our results of operations for 2001 and the first and second quarters of 2002 were adversely affected by the under-utilization of our production facilities, and we face risks of further under-utilization or inefficient utilization of our production facilities in future years.

***The price of our common stock may be volatile.***

The market price of our common stock could be subject to significant fluctuations after this offering, and may decline below the public offering price. Among the factors that could affect our stock price are:

- o our operating and financial performance and prospects;

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- o quarterly variations in the rate of growth of our financial indicators, such as earnings per share, net income and revenues;
  - o changes in revenue or earnings estimates or publication of research reports by analysts;
  - o loss of any member of our senior management team;
  - o speculation in the press or investment community;
  - o strategic actions by us or our competitors, such as acquisitions or restructurings;
  - o sales of our common stock by stockholders;
  - o general market conditions; and
  - o domestic and international economic, legal and regulatory factors unrelated to our performance.

The stock markets in general have experienced extreme volatility that has often been unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies. These broad market fluctuations may adversely affect the trading price of our common stock.

***Provisions in our charter documents and Delaware law may inhibit a takeover, which could adversely affect the value of our common stock.***

Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as well as Delaware corporate law, contain provisions that could delay or prevent a change of control or changes in our management that a stockholder might consider favorable and may prevent you from receiving a takeover premium for your shares. These provisions include, for example, a classified board of directors and the authorization of our board of directors to issue up to 5,000,000 preferred shares without a stockholder vote. In addition, our restated certificate of incorporation provides that stockholders may not call a special meeting.

We are a Delaware corporation subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, an anti-takeover law. Generally, this statute prohibits a publicly-held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested stockholder for a period of three years after the date of the transaction in which such person became an interested stockholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. A business combination includes a merger, asset sale or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the stockholder. We anticipate that the provisions of Section 203 may encourage parties interested in acquiring us to negotiate in advance with our board of directors, because the stockholder approval requirement would be avoided if a majority of the directors then in office approve either the business combination or the transaction that results



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in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder.

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These provisions apply even if the offer may be considered beneficial by some of our stockholders. If a change of control or change in management is delayed or prevented, the market price of our common stock could decline.

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### **NN, INC.**

NN manufactures and supplies high precision bearing components, consisting of balls, rollers, seals and retainers, for leading bearing manufacturers on a global basis. We are the leading independent manufacturer of precision steel bearing balls for the North American and European markets. In 1998, we began implementing a strategic plan designed to position us as a worldwide supplier of a broad line of bearing components. Through a series of acquisitions executed as part of that plan, we have built on our strong core ball business and greatly expanded our bearing component product offering. Today, we offer the industry's most complete line of bearing components. We emphasize engineered products that take advantage of our competencies in product design and high tolerance manufacturing processes. Our bearing customers use our components in fully assembled ball and roller bearings, which serve a wide variety of industrial applications in the transportation, electrical, agricultural, construction, machinery, mining and aerospace markets.

Our bearing component products presently account for approximately 90% of our consolidated revenue and sales of high precision plastic products account for the balance. We estimate that the size of the global market for balls, rollers, seals and plastic retainers is \$3.5 billion. Captive component production of bearing manufacturers accounts for approximately 65% of this market, while independent manufacturers currently serve approximately 35% of the market. We believe that we are a leader in the independent manufacturers segment of the market with a 14% market share. We also believe that the percentage of the market served by independent manufacturers is growing due to the ongoing component outsourcing trend among our major customers. Outsourcing components enables our global bearing customers to focus on their core competencies in the design and engineering of finished bearing technologies. In addition, it provides them with significant financial advantages, including lower long-term component costs and improved returns on invested capital.

We intend to continue to capitalize on this growing trend of outsourcing within our global bearing customer base. Recent successes include joining with

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our two largest bearing customers, SKF and INA/FAG, to create our majority-owned subsidiary, Euroball. In forming Euroball, we contributed our Ireland ball manufacturing facility, while SKF and INA/FAG contributed their captive ball manufacturing facilities in Italy and Germany. Both SKF and INA/FAG independently entered into long-term supply agreements designating Euroball as their primary supplier of ball products in Europe. Through Euroball, we are Europe's leading provider of precision balls.

We operate eight North American and European manufacturing facilities. Our two U. S. ball and roller production facilities are located in Tennessee and our Euroball subsidiary operates three manufacturing facilities located in Ireland, Germany and Italy. Our seal, retainer and other plastic products are manufactured in three facilities located in Connecticut, Texas and Mexico.

Our principal executive offices are located at 2000 Waters Edge Drive, Johnson City, Tennessee 37604 and our telephone number is (423) 743-9151. Our Internet website address is *www.nnbr.com*. Information contained on our website is not part of this prospectus.

### **Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements**

This prospectus includes and incorporates by reference "forward-looking statements" as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations, estimates and projections about the industry and markets in which we operate. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," "estimates" and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions, which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control, including those described in "Risk Factors" on pages 4 through 7 of this prospectus. Therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what is expressed, forecasted or implied in such forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless otherwise indicated in a prospectus supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to repay a portion of the borrowings outstanding under the term loan portion of our existing credit facilities as required under those arrangements. The term loan under our credit facility expires on July 1, 2006 and bears interest at a floating rate equal to LIBOR (1.81% at September 24, 2002) plus an applicable margin of 0.75% to 2.00% based upon calculated financial ratios.

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To the extent that the net proceeds of any offering pursuant to this prospectus are not used to repay indebtedness under our credit facilities, we anticipate that the proceeds will be used for general operational purposes, which may include, but are not limited to, working capital, capital expenditures and future acquisitions. In addition, each of the minority shareholders in Euroball, SKF and INA/FAG, has the right to require us to purchase their interest beginning January 2003 based on a formula price. If one of them were to exercise that right, we may use a portion of the shares in this offering to raise funds to purchase the interest or we may issue shares of common stock directly as all or a portion of the payment.

We will not receive any of the proceeds from sales of common stock by the selling stockholders.

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### SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of September 25, 2002, and as by the stockholders who are selling shares of common stock in this offering, and as adjusted to reflect the sale of shares offered in this prospectus. Unless otherwise noted, to our knowledge each selling stockholder has sole voting and investment power over the shares shown.

	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to Offering		Shares Being Offered	Shares Beneficially Owned After Offering	
	Number	Percent (%) (1)		Number	Percent (%) (1)
Richard D. Ennen (2)	2,844,668 (3)	18.5	2,844,668	-0-	-0-
Michael D. Huff (4)	437,227 (5)	2.8	437,227	-0-	-0-
Leonard Bowman	300,085 (6)	2.0	250,000	50,085	*
Janet M. Huff	225,000	1.5	225,000	-0-	-0-
Monica C. Ennen	129,900 (7)	*	129,900	-0-	-0-
Deborah E. Bagierek	96,869 (8)	*	96,869	-0-	-0-

\* Amounts are less than one percent.

(1) Based on 15,368,273 shares of NN's common stock outstanding on September 25, 2002. The percentage of shares owned after the offering assumes that NN sells 3,830,000 shares pursuant to this prospectus.

(2) Mr. Ennen currently sits on the Company's Board of Directors and has since the Company's formation in 1980. He was Chairman of the Board from the formation of the Company until September of 2001.

(3) Includes 1,800,000 shares held by the Richard D. Ennen Charitable Remainder Unitrust of which Mr. Ennen is the trustee and 200,000 shares held by the Ennen

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Charitable Trust of which Mr. Ennen is the trustee.

(4) Mr. Huff currently sits on the Company's Board of Directors and has since the Company's formation in 1980.

(5) Includes 23,000 shares subject to presently exercisable options.

(6) All of Mr. Bowman's shares are held in joint tenancy with his wife, Wilma J. Bowman.

(7) All of Ms. Ennen's shares are held by the Monica Conway Ennen Trust, of which Ms. Ennen is a trustee.

(8) All of Ms. Bagierek's shares are held by the Deborah Ennen Bagierek Trust, of which Ms. Bagierek is a trustee.

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### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

#### Company Offering

We may offer and sell the shares being offered by this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement:

- o Through agents;
- o Through one or more underwriters or dealers;
- o Through a block trade in which the broker or dealer engaged to handle the block trade will attempt to sell the shares as agent, but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- o Directly to one or more purchasers in exchange for cash or other assets; or
- o Through a combination of any of these methods of sale.

To the extent required, this prospectus may be amended and/or supplemented from time to time to describe a specific plan of distribution.

#### Selling Stockholders Offering

The selling stockholders, separately or together, may offer and sell their portion of the shares being offered by this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement only on the following terms and conditions:

1. No shares may be offered or sold by any selling stockholder prior to March 31, 2003 unless the Company agrees otherwise.
2. Any shares offered or sold by any selling stockholder prior to December 31, 2003 must be offered or sold through McDonald Investments Inc. and Legg Mason Wood Walker Incorporated together or with one or more underwriters or dealers.
3. Any sale by any selling stockholder must include a minimum of 500,000

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shares in aggregate unless the Company agrees otherwise.

4. The Company must receive at least five business days prior written notice of any proposed sale by any selling stockholder.
5. The Company may delay any sale by any selling stockholder for up to 90 days by written notice to the selling stockholder.
6. In the event the Company and any selling stockholder participates together in an offering under this prospectus, the Company will have the right to choose to sell

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shares from its portion of this offering in priority to sales by the selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders may also transfer the common stock held by them by gift or other non-sale related transfer, in which case the donees, transferees or other successors-in-interest will be deemed to be selling stockholders. The number of shares offered by a particular selling stockholder under this prospectus will decrease as and when it takes any of the above actions, although the aggregate number of shares offered by the selling stockholders will remain unchanged. The plan of distribution for that selling stockholder's shares will otherwise remain unchanged. In addition, any offered shares by the selling stockholders covered by this prospectus that qualify for sale pursuant to Rule 144 may be sold under Rule 144 under the Securities Act rather than pursuant to this prospectus.

### General Matters

We have agreed to pay the majority of the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of the offered shares, including:

- o All registration and filing fees related to the company's portion of the offering;
- o Printing fees and expenses related to the company's portion of the offering or to an offering including both Company shares and shares owned by the selling stockholders; and
- o Fees and disbursements of counsel, accountants and underwriters for us.

The selling stockholders will pay:

- o All registration and filing fees related to their portion of an offering;
- o Printing fees and expenses related to any offering exclusively of their shares;
- o Any underwriting discounts and commissions with respect to the shares of common stock they sell hereunder;
- o Fees and disbursements of any counsel retained by the selling stockholders; and

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- o Transfer taxes, if any.

The distribution of the common stock may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions:

- o At a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;
- o At market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

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- o At prices related to the market prices prevailing at the time of sale;  
or
  - o At negotiated prices.

Offers to purchase the common stock may be solicited by agents designated by us from time to time. Any agent involved in the offer or sale of the common stock will be named, and any commissions payable by us to the agent will be described, in the applicable prospectus supplement. Any agent may be deemed to be an underwriter, as such term is defined in the Securities Act of 1933, of the common stock so offered and sold.

If we and/or any selling stockholders offer and sell common stock through an underwriter or underwriters, we and/or the selling stockholders will execute an underwriting agreement with the underwriter or underwriters at the time the common stock is sold to them. The names of the specific managing underwriter or underwriters, as well as any other underwriters, and the terms of the transactions, including compensation of the underwriters and dealers, which may be in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions, if any, will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement, which will be used by the underwriters to make resales of the common stock. That prospectus supplement and this prospectus will be used by the underwriters to make resales of the common stock. If underwriters are used in the sale of any common stock in connection with this prospectus, the common stock will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at fixed public offering prices or at varying prices determined by the underwriters and us at the time of sale. Common stock may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters or directly by one or more underwriters. If any underwriter or underwriters are used in the sale of common stock, unless otherwise indicated in a related prospectus supplement, the underwriting agreement will provide that the obligations of the underwriters are subject to some conditions precedent and that with respect to a sale of the common stock the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all such common stock if any are purchased.

If any underwriters are involved in the offer and sale, they will be permitted to engage in transactions that maintain or otherwise affect the price of the common stock. These transactions may include over-allotment transactions, purchases to cover short positions created by the underwriter in connection with the offering and the imposition of penalty bids. If an underwriter creates a short position in the common stock in connection with the offering, i.e., if it sells more common stock than set forth on the cover page of the applicable prospectus supplement, the underwriter may reduce that short position by purchasing the common stock in the open market. In general, purchases of common stock to reduce a short position could cause the price of the common stock to be higher than it might be in the absence of such purchases. As noted above, underwriters may also choose to impose penalty bids on other underwriters and/or

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selling group members. This means that if underwriters purchase common stock on the open market to reduce their short position or to stabilize the price of the common stock, they may reclaim the amount of the selling concession from those underwriters and/or selling group members who sold such common stock as part of the offering.

Neither we nor any underwriter make any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of the

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common stock. In addition, neither we nor any underwriter make any representation that such underwriter will engage in such transactions or that such transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice.

If we and/or the selling stockholders offer and sell common stock through a dealer, we, the selling stockholders or an underwriter will sell the common stock to the dealer, as principal. The dealer may then resell the common stock to the public at varying prices to be determined by the dealer at the time of resale. Any such dealer may be deemed to be an underwriter, as such term is defined in the Securities Act of 1933, of the common stock so offered and sold. The name of the dealer and the terms of the transactions will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

We and/or the selling stockholders may solicit offers to purchase the common stock directly and we and/or the selling stockholders may sell the common stock directly to institutional or other investors, who may be deemed an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to any resales of the common stock. The terms of these sales will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

We and/or the selling stockholders may enter into agreements with agents, underwriters and dealers under which we and/or the selling stockholders may agree to indemnify the agents, underwriters and dealers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, or to contribute to payments they may be required to make with respect to these liabilities. The terms and conditions of this indemnification or contribution will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. Some of the agents, underwriters or dealers, or their affiliates may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us and/or the selling stockholders in the ordinary course of business.

We and/or the selling stockholders may authorize our respective agents, dealers or underwriters to solicit offers to purchase common stock at the public offering price under delayed delivery contracts. The terms of these delayed delivery contracts, including when payment for and delivery of the common stock sold will be made under the contracts and any conditions to each party's performance set forth in the contracts, will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. The compensation received by underwriters or agents soliciting purchases of common stock under delayed delivery contracts will also be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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**LEGAL MATTERS**

Certain legal matters in connection with the common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin LLP, Two Pershing Square, 2300 Main Street, Suite 1000, Kansas City, Missouri 64108.

**EXPERTS**

Our consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2001, have been incorporated by reference in this prospectus and the registration statement on Form S-3 in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent accountants incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing. The audit report covering the December 31, 2001 financial statements refers to a change in the Company's method of accounting for derivative instruments and hedging activities.

Our consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 1999 and for the year then ended have been incorporated in this registration statement by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, and have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

**WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

We file annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any of these materials at the SEC's Public Reference Room, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549 and at the SEC's regional offices in New York, New York and Chicago, Illinois. You may obtain information on the operation of the public reference rooms by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Our SEC filings, including the registration statement, will also be available to you on the SEC's website. The address of this website is <http://www.sec.gov>.

We have filed a registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC to register shares of our common stock. This prospectus is part of that registration statement and, as permitted by the SEC's rules, does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement. For further information about us and this offering, you may refer to the registration statement and its exhibits. You can review and copy the registration statement and its exhibits at the public reference rooms maintained by the SEC or on the SEC's website described above.

This prospectus may contain summaries of contracts or other documents. Because they are summaries, they will not contain all of the information that may be important to you. If you would like complete information about a contract or other document, you should read the copy filed as an exhibit to the registration statement.



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The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with them, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information we incorporate by reference is considered to be a part of this prospectus, and information that we file with the SEC at a later date will automatically update or supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the following documents as well as any future filing we will make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

- o Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, as amended by Form 10-K/A;
- o Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2002 and June 30, 2002;
- o Our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 7, 2002, July 18, 2002 and August 6, 2002;
- o The description of our common stock contained in the registration statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on February 28, 1994, which incorporates by reference a description of our common stock from our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 33-74694, as filed on February 1, 1994), which description we also incorporate by reference into this prospectus.

You may request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by written or telephone request to:

NN, Inc.  
Attn: Corporate Secretary  
2000 Waters Edge Drive  
Johnson City, Tennessee  
(423) 743-9151

This prospectus may contain information that updates, modifies or is contrary to information in one or more of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Reports we file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus may also contain information that updates, modifies or is contrary to information in this prospectus or in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Investors should review these reports as they may disclose a change in our business, prospects, financial condition or other affairs after the date of this prospectus.

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## PART II

### INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION

The following table sets forth the costs and expenses payable by us in connection with the sale of Common Stock being registered. All amounts other than the registration fee are estimates.

SEC registration fee	\$ 6,797
Legal fees and expenses	275,000
Accounting fees and expenses	74,000

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Nasdaq National Market listing fee	22,500
Printing and engraving expenses	60,000
Miscellaneous fees and expenses	11,703
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Total	\$450,000
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### ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The Company has entered into indemnification agreements with certain officers and directors of the Company. Under these agreements, the Company agrees to hold harmless and indemnify each indemnitee generally to the full extent permitted by Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL") and against any and all liabilities, expenses, judgments, fines, penalties and costs in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative to which the indemnitee is made a party by reason of the fact that the indemnitee has, is or at the time becomes a director or officer of the Company or any other entity at the request of the Company.

Section 145 permits a corporation to indemnify certain persons, including officers and directors, who are (or are threatened to be made) parties to any threatened, pending or completed legal action (whether civil, criminal, threatened or investigative) for reason of their being officers or directors. The indemnity may include expenses, attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and reasonably incurred costs of settlement, provided the officer and director acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interest and, in the case of criminal proceedings, he had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was illegal. The corporation may indemnify officers and directors in derivative actions (in which suit is brought by a shareholder on behalf of the corporation) under the same conditions, except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the officer or director is judged liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duty to the corporation. If the officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him against the expenses and attorneys' fees he actually and reasonably incurred.

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The Company has obtained liability insurance coverage for its officers and directors with respect to actions arising out of the performance of such officer's or director's duty in his or her capacity as such.

### ITEM 16. EXHIBITS

- 1.1\* Form of Underwriting Agreement
- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed June 6, 2002)
- 3.2 Restated By-Laws of the Company. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed June 6, 2002)
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- 4.2 Article IV, Article V (Sections 3 through 6), Article VI (Section 2) and Article VII (Sections 1 and 3) of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (included in Exhibit 3.1).
- 4.3 Article II (Sections 7 and 12), Article III (Sections 2 and 15) and Article VI of the Restated By-Laws of the Company (included in Exhibit 3.2).
- 5.1\* Opinion of Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin LLP, counsel to the Company.
- 23.1 Consent of Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 23.2 Consent of KPMG LLP, Independent Auditors.
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- 24 Powers of Attorney (included in the signature page to the Registration Statement).

\* To be filed by post-effective amendment or pursuant to a report to be filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, if applicable, and incorporated herein by reference

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### ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS

(a) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Company has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Company of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Company in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Company will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(b) The undersigned Company hereby undertakes that:

(i) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(ii) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as

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part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(iii) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Johnson City, State of Tennessee, on September 26, 2002.

NN, Inc.

By: /s/ Roderick R. Baty

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Roderick R. Baty  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer  
and President

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each of the undersigned hereby severally constitute and appoint Roderick R. Baty and David L. Dyckman, and each of them singly, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, as his or her true and lawful attorneys with full power to them, and each of them singly, to sign for the undersigned and in the names of the undersigned in the capacities indicated below, any and all amendments to this Registration Statement on Form S-3, and generally to do all such things in the names of the undersigned and in their capacities as indicated below to enable NN, Inc. to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, and all requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming the signatures of the undersigned as they may be signed by said attorneys, or any of them, to said Registration Statement and any and all amendments thereto.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Roderick R. Baty ----- Roderick R. Baty	Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, President and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	September 26, 2002
/s/ David L. Dyckman ----- David L. Dyckman	Vice President-Business Development and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	September 26, 2002

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Treasurer, Secretary and Chief Accounting  
Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)

/s/ William C. Kelly, Jr.  
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September 26, 2002

William C. Kelly, Jr.

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/s/ Richard D. Ennen                      Director

September 26, 2002

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Richard D. Ennen

/s/ Michael D. Huff                      Director

September 26, 2002

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Michael D. Huff

/s/ G. Ronald Morris                      Director

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/s/ Michael E. Werner                      Director

September 26, 2002

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Michael E. Werner

/s/ Steven T. Warshaw                      Director

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Steven T. Warshaw

/s/ James L. Earsley                      Director

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