ANSELL LTD
Form 6-K
October 09, 2003

#### FORM 6-K

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Issuer** 

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 2003 (October 9, 2003)

Commission File Number: 0-15850

## ANSELL LIMITED

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

Level 3, 678 Victoria Street, Richmond, Victoria 3121, Australia

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F <u>X</u> Form 40-F \_\_\_

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Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes \_\_ No <u>X</u>

This Form 6-K is designated as incorporated by reference into the Form F-3 Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 20, 1990 with file numbers 33-37752 and 33-37752-01, the Form F-3 Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 30, 1991 with file number 33-40228, the Form F-3 Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 31, 1994 with file numbers 33-85802 and 33-85802-1, the Form S-8 Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission with file number 33-18603, and the Form F-3 Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 25, 1997 with file number 333-6472.

This Form 6-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended, and information that is based on management s beliefs as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to management. When used in this Form 6-K, the words anticipate. approach, begin, believe, continue, expect, forecast. going forward, improved. potential, plans, proposal, should and would and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These outlook, forward-looking statements necessarily make assumptions, some of which are inherently subject to uncertainties and contingencies that are beyond the Company s control. Should one or more of these uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those anticipated, expected, estimated or projected. Specifically, the ability of the Company to realize its ongoing commitment to increasing shareholder value through its ongoing restructuring, asset dispositions, strategic review and implementation, and cost cutting initiatives, may be affected by many factors including: uncertainties and contingencies such as economic conditions both in the world and in those areas where the Company has or will have substantial operations; foreign currency exchange rates; pricing pressures on products produced by its subsidiaries; growth prospects; positioning of its business segments; future productions output capacity; and the success of the Company s business strategies, including further structural and operational changes, business dispositions, internal reorganizations, cost cutting, and consolidations.

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## **ANSELL VALUE PROPOSITION SIGNS SARA LEE**

The CEO of Ansell Ltd, Mr Harry Boon, today announced that the Company had signed a Letter of Intent with Sara Lee Corporation USA for the supply of a range of occupational gloves pursuant to the Ansell Value Proposition (AVP).

Mr Boon said, Sara Lee s excellent hand injury safety record meant that the focus of AVP turned to the savings and benefits arising from standardisation of Sara Lee s glove range across all food manufacturing facilities in the USA. While we do not expect the Letter of Intent to have a material financial impact on Ansell, the acceptance by Sara Lee of AVP is further evidence of the potential of AVP in a broad range of industries .

Mr Boon noted that AVP had evolved from the previously named Occupational Value Proposition, as it was felt it could be applied across all Ansell Operating Divisions.

Ansell Ltd is a global leader in healthcare barrier protective products. With operations in the Americas, Europe and Asia, Ansell employs more than 12,000 people worldwide and holds leading positions in the natural latex and synthetic polymer glove and condom markets. Ansell operates in three main business segments: Occupational Healthcare, supplying hand protection to the industrial market; Professional Healthcare, supplying surgical and examination gloves to healthcare professionals; and Consumer Healthcare, supplying sexual health products and consumer hand protection. Information on Ansell and its products can be found at

http://www.ansell.com.

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### **SIGNATURE**

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.

ANSELL LIMITED

(Registrant)

By: /s/ DAVID M. GRAHAM

Name: DAVID M. GRAHAM

Title: GROUP TREASURER

Date: October 9, 2003