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SCHEDULE 13D (Rule 13d-101)

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(Amendment No. 18)

RF Micro Devices, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

749941 10 0

(CUSIP Number)

William B. Lawrence TRW Inc. 1900 Richmond Road, 3E Cleveland, Ohio 44124 (216) 291-7230

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

September 20, 2001

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS 1 I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) TRW Inc. ("TRW"), I.D. #34-0575430 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP 2 (a)___ $(b)_{\underline{}}$ 3 SEC USE ONLY SOURCE OF FUNDS 4 WC, OO CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS 5 REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) or 2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION 7 SOLE VOTING POWER NUMBER OF 17,129,396 **SHARES BENEFICIALLY** SHARED VOTING POWER 0 OWNED BY SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER **EACH** 9 13,129,396 REPORTING PERSON WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 4,000,000(a) 10 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 17,129,396 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN **SHARES** PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 13 10.4 percent TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON 14

(a) These shares are the subject of a series of agreements between TRW Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. pursuant to which TRW has pledged 4,000,000 shares (as adjusted for a two-for-one stock split effected by RF Micro Devices on August 25, 2000) as collateral to secure its obligations under the agreements. The agreements are described at Item 6 of Amendment No. 13 to Schedule 13D.

SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 18 on Schedule 13D amends the beneficial ownership statement initially filed on February 12, 1998 on Schedule 13G, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Schedule 13D filed on June 29, 1998, Amendment No. 2 on Schedule 13D filed on September 18, 1998, Amendment No. 3 on Schedule 13D filed on February 3, 1999, Amendment No. 4 on Schedule 13D filed on April 29, 1999, Amendment No. 5 on Schedule 13D filed on June 1, 1999, Amendment No. 6 on Schedule 13D filed on June 9, 1999, Amendment No. 7 on Schedule 13D filed on October 5, 1999, Amendment No. 8 on Schedule 13D filed on October 12, 1999, Amendment No. 9 on Schedule 13D filed on November 18, 1999, Amendment No. 10 on Schedule 13D filed on December 7, 1999, Amendment No. 11 on Schedule 13D filed on January 4, 2000, Amendment No. 12 on Schedule 13D filed on January 25, 2000, Amendment No. 13 on Schedule 13D filed on February 15, 2000, Amendment No. 14 on Schedule 13D filed on January 9, 2001, Amendment No. 15 on Schedule 13D filed on February 14, 2001, Amendment No. 16 on Schedule 13D filed on August 2, 2001 and Amendment No. 17 on Schedule 13D filed on August 15, 2001 (collectively, the "Schedule 13D"), pursuant to Rule 13d-1(d) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, by TRW Inc., an Ohio corporation ("TRW"). This statement is being filed to reflect TRW's sale, in the aggregate, of 1,817,500 shares of common stock, no par value ("Common Stock"), of RF Micro Devices, Inc. ("RFMD"), executed in multiple trades between August 15, 2001 and September 21, 2001, in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms used herein shall have the respective meanings given such terms in the Schedule 13D. Except as modified herein, there have been no other changes in the information previously reported in the Schedule 13D.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of Item 5 of the Schedule 13D are amended by deleting them in their entirety and replacing them with the following:

- (a) TRW beneficially owns 17,129,396 shares of Common Stock. The number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by TRW represents 10.4 percent of the 164,881,073 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of August 7, 2001. The Directors and executive officers of TRW disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (b) TRW has sole voting power with respect to 17,129,396 shares. TRW has sole dispositive power with respect to 13,129,396 shares. The remaining 4,000,000 shares beneficially owned by TRW have been pledged as collateral to secure TRW's obligations under a series of agreements between TRW and Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("GS&Co."). See Item 6 of Amendment No. 13 to this Schedule 13D for a description of these agreements.
- (c) On August 15, 2001, TRW sold 100,000 shares of Common Stock of RFMD in nine different trades as follows:

Price per Share
\$27.00
\$27.00
\$27.00
\$27.00
\$27.02

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10,000	\$27.00
7,500	\$27.00
7,500	\$27.00
25,000	\$26.73

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On August 16, 2001, TRW sold 140,000 shares of Common Stock in thirteen different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share	
10,000	\$25.20	
15,000	\$25.20	
10,000	\$25.45	
5,000	\$25.50	
10,000	\$25.30	
10,000	\$25.30	
5,000	\$25.30	
15,000	\$25.00	
5,000	\$25.05	
5,000	\$25.00	
15,000	\$25.30	
10,000	\$25.30	
25,000	\$25.50	

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On August 17, 2001, TRW sold 50,000 shares of Common Stock in three different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$24.00
15,000	\$24.00
25,000	\$23.60

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On August 20, 2001, TRW sold 125,000 shares of Common Stock in seventeen different trades as follows:

Price per Share
\$23.60
\$23.60
\$23.67
\$24.00
\$24.05
\$24.10
\$24.15
\$24.60
\$24.60
\$24.60
\$25.00
\$25.05
\$25.10
\$25.10
\$25.25
\$25.30
\$25.25

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On August 29, 2001, TRW sold 100,000 shares of Common Stock in sixteen different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$27.73
10,000	\$27.75
10,000	\$27.78
5,000	\$27.00
5,000	\$26.80
5,000	\$26.55
5,000	\$26.15
10,000	\$26.15
5,000	\$26.20
5,000	\$26.25
5,000	\$26.35
5,000	\$26.30
5,000	\$26.15
5,000	\$26.00
5,000	\$26.05
5,000	\$26.09

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The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On August 30, 2001, TRW sold 160,000 shares of Common Stock in twenty-nine different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
5,000	\$24.60
5,000	\$24.45
5,000	\$24.46
5,000	\$24.50
5,000	\$24.50
5,000	\$24.45
5,000	\$24.45
5,000	\$24.50
5,000	\$24.50
5,000	\$24.55
5,000	\$25.00
5,000	\$25.00
5,000	\$25.05
5,000	\$24.51
5,000	\$24.61
10,000	\$25.00
5,000	\$25.05
5,000	\$25.25
5,000	\$25.23
5,000	\$25.75
5,000	\$25.80
10,000	\$25.85
5,000	\$25.75
5,000	\$25.87
10,000	\$25.84
5,000	\$25.82
5,000	\$25.87
5,000	\$25.85
5,000	\$25.85

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On August 31, 2001, TRW sold 100,000 shares of Common Stock in nineteen different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$26.40
5,000	\$26.45
5,000	\$26.45
5,000	\$26.55
5,000	\$26.00
5,000	\$26.05
5,000	\$26.10
5,000	\$26.00
5,000	\$26.00
5,000	\$25.90
5,000	\$25.87
5,000	\$25.83
5,000	\$25.75
5,000	\$25.65
5,000	\$25.50
5,000	\$25.55
5,000	\$25.50
5,000	\$25.55
5,000	\$25.50

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On September 4, 2001, TRW sold 75,000 shares of Common Stock in nine different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
12,500	\$25.08
7,500	\$25.15
5,000	\$25.00
7,500	\$25.20
10,000	\$25.30
7,500	\$25.32
15,000	\$25.75
5,000	\$25.80
5,000	\$25.80

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On September 5, 2001, TRW sold 100,000 shares of Common Stock in fourteen different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share	
10,000	\$22.20	_
5,000	\$22.00	
5,000	\$22.05	
5,000	\$22.10	
10,000	\$21.50	
10,000	\$21.55	
5,000	\$21.50	
10,000	\$22.10	
5,000	\$22.10	
5,000	\$22.10	
5,000	\$22.10	
10,000	\$22.95	
10,000	\$22.92	
5,000	\$22.70	

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On September 6, 2001, TRW sold 50,000 shares of Common Stock in eight different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$21.50
5,000	\$21.50
5,000	\$21.57
5,000	\$21.53
10,000	\$21.75
5,000	\$21.75
5,000	\$21.75
5,000	\$21.75

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On September 7, 2001, TRW sold 125,000 shares of Common Stock in twelve different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share	
10,000	\$22.20	
7,500	\$22.20	
2,500	\$21.60	
2,500	\$21.70	
2,500	\$21.80	
10,000	\$21.40	
15,000	\$21.33	
15,000	\$22.00	
5,000	\$22.05	
5,000	\$22.15	
25,000	\$22.10	
25,000	\$22.55	

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On September 10, 2001, TRW sold 75,000 shares of Common Stock in eight different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
25,000	\$24.95
10,000	\$24.60
5,000	\$24.60
5,000	\$24.65
5,000	\$24.75
10,000	\$23.10
7,500	\$23.00
7,500	\$23.00

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On September 17, 2001, TRW sold 75,000 shares of Common Stock in three different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
25,000	\$22.60
25,000	\$23.50
25,000	\$24.00

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On September 18, 2001, TRW sold 67,500 shares of Common Stock in ten different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
5,000	\$23.53
7,500	\$23.50
7,500	\$23.50
5,000	\$23.55
5,000	\$24.00
10,000	\$24.00
5,000	\$24.00
5,000	\$24.05
10,000	\$23.75
7,500	\$23.75

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On September 19, 2001, TRW sold 250,000 shares of Common Stock in twenty-five different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$23.05
10,000	\$23.10
5,000	\$23.10
10,000	\$23.35
10,000	\$23.35
5,000	\$23.40
25,000	\$22.50
10,000	\$21.57
10,000	\$21.50
5,000	\$21.50
10,000	\$22.75
10,000	\$22.76
10,000	\$22.60
10,000	\$22.45
10,000	\$22.27
10,000	\$22.50
10,000	\$22.50
10,000	\$22.50
10,000	\$22.60
10,000	\$22.75
20,000	\$23.10
5,000	\$23.20
10,000	\$23.15
10,000	\$23.25
5,000	\$23.35

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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On September 20, 2001, TRW sold 165,000 shares of Common Stock in twenty-one different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$22.75
10,000	\$22.75
5,000	\$22.75
10,000	\$23.00
10,000	\$23.15
5,000	\$23.20
10,000	\$23.10
5,000	\$23.10
5,000	\$23.05
5,000	\$23.00
10,000	\$23.30
10,000	\$23.40
5,000	\$23.35
10,000	\$23.50
10,000	\$23.05
10,000	\$23.05
5,000	\$23.00
10,000	\$23.00
10,000	\$23.00
5,000	\$23.10
5,000	\$23.10

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

On September 21 2001, TRW sold 60,000 shares of Common Stock in six different trades as follows:

Number of Shares	Price per Share
10,000	\$21.20
5,000	\$21.30
15,000	\$20.35
10,000	\$20.18
10,000	\$20.00
10,000	\$19.42

The prices set forth above do not reflect fees of approximately .003 percent on each of these transactions.

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All of these shares were sold in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Except for the foregoing, and the transactions previously reported by TRW pursuant to its Amendment No. 17 to Schedule 13D, filed with the Commission on August 15, 2001, no transactions have been effected in the Common Stock of RFMD by TRW or, to the best knowledge of TRW, by its directors and executive officers within the past 60 days.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: September 24, 2001

TRW INC.

By: /s/ Kathleen A. Weigand

Kathleen A. Weigand Vice President, Assistant General Counsel

and Assistant Secretary

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