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Item 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On July 24, 2008, the registrant issued a press release announcing financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2009. The press release is annexed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information contained in this Form 8-K and the Exhibit annexed hereto shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth in such filing.

Item 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
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<u>99.1</u>	Press Release dated July 24, 2008
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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.

COLUMBUS McKINNON CORPORATION

By:/s/ Karen L. Howard

Name: Karen L. Howard

Title: Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: July 24, 2008

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