

AMERISOURCEBERGEN CORP
Form 8-K
April 30, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **April 30, 2015**

AmerisourceBergen Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other
Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or
Organization)

1-16671
Commission File Number

23-3079390
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification
Number)

1300 Morris Drive
Chesterbrook, PA

19087

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(610) 727-7000**

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 30, 2015, AmerisourceBergen Corporation (the Company) issued a news release announcing its earnings for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015, and announcing its corresponding earnings conference call.

In its news release, the Company included certain non-U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (non-GAAP) financial measures. The adjustments made to arrive at these non-GAAP financial measures included warrant expense, gains on antitrust litigation settlements, LIFO expense, acquisition-related intangibles amortization, and employee severance, litigation and other expenses. The adjustments made to diluted earnings per share relate to the share dilution resulting from the impact of the unexercised equity warrants, the impact from the shares repurchased under the Company s special share repurchase programs and the related interest expense incurred in connection with the \$600 million of 1.150% senior notes due in May 2017 issued by the Company solely in connection with the special share repurchase program.

Management considers GAAP financial measures, as well as the presented non-GAAP financial measures, in its evaluation of the Company s operating performance. Therefore, the Company believes that its presentation of non-GAAP financial measures provides useful supplementary information to, and facilitates additional analysis by, investors. Reconciliations to the non-GAAP financial measures from the most directly comparable measures as reported in accordance with GAAP are attached to the news release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, and should be viewed in addition to, and not in lieu of, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP.

A copy of the news release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

In the news release issued on April 30, 2015, the Company also announced that it now expects adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations in fiscal year 2015 to be in the range of \$4.85 to \$4.95, a 22 percent to 25 percent increase over fiscal year 2014, and an increase over prior guidance of \$4.53 to \$4.63. The Company announced that it expects revenue growth rates to be in the range of 12 percent to 13 percent and adjusted operating income growth in the 19 percent to 21 percent range. The Company expects adjusted operating margin to increase 8 to 10 basis points. The Company also announced that it expects to generate free cash flow in the range of \$2.0 billion to \$2.3 billion, with capital expenditures in the \$250 million range; and to spend approximately \$200 million in regular share repurchases and \$600 million in special share repurchases, subject to market conditions.

The information in this Item 7.01, including the exhibit attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. This information shall not be deemed to be incorporated by

reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference to such disclosure in this Form 8-K in such a filing.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

In the news release issued on April 30, 2015, the Company also announced that its Board of Directors authorized a new special \$1 billion share repurchase program as part of the Company's previously announced warrant hedging strategy. As previously disclosed, the Company will exclude the impact of the share repurchases under the special programs from its presentation of adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations until the warrants are exercised or expire.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit.

99.1 News Release, dated April 30, 2015, of AmerisourceBergen Corporation, regarding the Company's earnings for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2015.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

AMERISOURCEBERGEN CORPORATION

Date: April 30, 2015

By: /s/ Tim G. Guttman
Name: Tim G. Guttman
Title: Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer