

CONMED CORP
Form 8-K
April 28, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 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 28, 2015

CONMED CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York
(State or other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

0-16093
(Commission

File Number)

16-0977505
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

525 French Road

Utica, New York

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

13502

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (315) 797-8375

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

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

The information set forth under Item 2.03 below is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

On April 28, 2015, CONMED Corporation (the Company), as a borrower, entered into a fourth amended and restated credit agreement providing for a \$450.0 million secured revolving credit facility (the Credit Agreement), among the Company, the foreign subsidiary borrowers from time to time parties thereto, the several lenders from time to time parties thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (the Administrative Agent). The Credit Agreement comprises commitments from eight financial institutions. The Credit Agreement permits the Company to designate foreign subsidiaries as additional borrowers. The Credit Agreement expires on April 28, 2020, at which time all outstanding amounts will be due and payable. There is \$270 million outstanding under the Credit Agreement. The Credit Agreement amends and restates a credit agreement dated January 17, 2013 that was due to expire on January 17, 2018.

The Company's borrowings under the Credit Agreement can be used for all general corporate purposes and will bear interest at variable rates dependent on the Company's consolidated senior leverage ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement), calculated according to a base rate or a Eurocurrency rate plus an applicable margin, as the case may be. The Company must pay facility commitment fees quarterly in arrears at rates dependent on the Company's consolidated senior leverage ratio. The applicable margin and rate for the facility commitment are set at agreed pricing levels until February 2016 and will thereafter fluctuate dependent on the Company's consolidated senior leverage ratio.

Borrowings under the Credit Agreement are secured by assets and rights of the Company and certain of its subsidiaries. The Credit Agreement contains customary covenants for transactions of this type, including three financial covenants: (i) a consolidated senior leverage ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, that must be maintained at a level of not greater than 3.5 to 1; (ii) a consolidated total leverage ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, that must be maintained at a level of not greater than 4 to 1; and (iii) a consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement, that must be maintained at a level of not less than 2.5 to 1. In addition, as a condition precedent to each borrowing made under the Credit Agreement, as of the date of such borrowing, (i) no default or event of default shall have occurred and be continuing on such date or after giving effect to the extensions of credit requested to be made on such date and (ii) the Company is to reaffirm that the representations and warranties made in the Credit Agreement are true and correct in all material respects.

The Credit Agreement provides for customary events of default, including failure to pay any principal or interest when due, failure to comply with covenants, any representation made by the Company proving to be incorrect, defaults relating to other indebtedness of at least \$25,000,000 in the aggregate, certain insolvency and receivership events affecting the Company or its subsidiaries, judgments not covered by insurance in excess of \$25,000,000 in the aggregate being rendered against the Company or its subsidiaries, the acquisition by any person of more than 35% of the outstanding common stock of the Company, and the incurrence of certain ERISA liabilities that would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect.

In the event of a default by the Company, the Agent may, and at the direction of the requisite number of Lenders will, terminate the Lenders' commitments to make loans under the Credit Agreement, declare the obligations under the Credit Agreement immediately due and payable and enforce any and all rights of the Lenders or Agent under the Credit Agreement and related documents. For certain events of default related to insolvency and receivership, the commitments of the Lenders are automatically terminated and all outstanding obligations become immediately due and payable.

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Certain of the lenders, agents and other parties to the Credit Agreement, and their affiliates, have in the past provided, and may in the future provide, investment banking, underwriting, lending, commercial banking and other advisory services to the company and its subsidiaries. Such lenders, agents and other parties have received, and may in the future receive, customary compensation from the Company and its subsidiaries for such services.

The foregoing description of the Credit Agreement and related matters is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Credit Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
10.1	Fourth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated April 28, 2015, among CONMED Corporation, the foreign subsidiary borrowers from time to time parties thereto, the several lenders from time to time parties thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

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.

CONMED CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Luke A. Pomilio
Name: Luke A. Pomilio
Title: Executive Vice President Finance and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 28, 2015

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