

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): January 14, 2015

CONMED CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-16093
(Commission
File Number)

16-0977505
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

525 French Road
Utica, New York 13502
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations 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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Section 2 Financial Information
Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 14, 2015, CONMED Corporation issued a press release announcing preliminary financial results for 2014. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K that is furnished under “Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition” and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934, nor shall they be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is included herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release dated January 14, 2015, issued by CONMED Corporation.

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.

CONMED CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: Robert D. Shallish, Jr.
Executive Vice President-Finance and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 14, 2015

EXHIBIT INDEX

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NEWS RELEASE

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FOR RELEASE: 7:00 AM (Eastern) January 14, 2015

CONMED Corporation Announces Preliminary 2014 Results within Guidance Range and Issues 2015 Financial Guidance

Utica, New York, January 14, 2015 ----- **CONMED Corporation (Nasdaq: CNMD)** today announced preliminary 2014 results and issued financial guidance for 2015.

For the just completed 2014 calendar year, the Company expects that sales will be approximately \$739 - \$741 million with adjusted earnings per share expected to be approximately \$1.90 - \$1.94. "I am pleased that, based on our preliminary numbers, we expect to deliver results within the range of the guidance we provided last July," stated Mr. Curt Hartman, President and CEO. The Company expects it will issue final 2014 financial details on January 27, 2015.

For 2015, CONMED expects to achieve full year sales of \$740 - \$755 million and adjusted earnings per share of \$1.92 – \$2.02.

"Looking forward to 2015, I have announced a series of changes to the commercial structure of CONMED that we anticipate will reposition the Company for growth," continued Mr. Hartman. "In addition to the announced commercial management changes, we are combining the domestic Advanced Energy and Endomechanical organizations to take advantage of our broad product offering, to increase our account coverage, to focus our innovation efforts, and to leverage our infrastructure. While some of these changes will likely cause sales disruption in the short term, the goal of these changes is to position CONMED to grow at or above market rates in all the markets we serve."

The adjusted estimates for 2014 exclude the costs of special charges for, among other things, restructuring, shareholder activism and senior management changes. These costs will be reconciled in the Company's earnings release for the fourth quarter of 2014 anticipated to be issued on January 27, 2015. For 2015, the adjusted estimates for earnings per share exclude special charges for restructuring activities which cannot currently be quantified.

About CONMED

CONMED is a medical technology company with an emphasis on surgical devices and equipment for minimally invasive procedures. The Company's products are used by surgeons and physicians in a variety of specialties including orthopedics, general surgery, gynecology, neurosurgery and gastroenterology. Headquartered in Utica, New York, the Company's 3,600 employees distribute its products worldwide from several manufacturing locations. CONMED has a direct selling presence in 16 countries outside the United States and international sales constitute more than 50% of the Company's total sales.

Forward Looking Information

This press release contains forward-looking statements based on certain assumptions and contingencies that involve risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and relate to the Company's performance on a going-forward basis. The forward-looking statements in this press release involve risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results, performance or trends, to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements herein or in previous disclosures. In addition to general industry and economic conditions, factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements in this press release include, but are not limited to the risks relating to forward-looking statements discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013.
