

**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):

October 27, 2016

TIMKENSTEEL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

1-36313

46-4024951

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1835 Dueber Avenue, SW, Canton, OH 44706

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(330) 471-7000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(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:

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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 October 27, 2016 , TimkenSteel Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing results for the third quarter of 2016 . A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by this reference.

Additionally on October 27, 2016 , the Company posted to the investor relations section of its website at <http://timkensteel.com> a presentation of third quarter 2016 earnings supporting information.

The information contained in Item 2.02 of this Current Report, including exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the 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, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into a filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of TimkenSteel Corporation dated October 27, 2016.

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.

TIMKENSTEEL CORPORATION

Date: October 27, 2016

By: /s/ Christopher J. Holding

Christopher J. Holding

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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NEWS RELEASE

TimkenSteel Announces Third-Quarter 2016 Results

CANTON, Ohio: October 27, 2016 -TimkenSteel (NYSE: TMST, timkensteel.com), a leader in customized alloy steel products and services, today reported third-quarter net sales of \$213.8 million and a net loss of \$16.6 million (or minus 38 cents per share), including after-tax pension settlement expense of \$3.4 million. This compares with net sales of \$232.7 million and a net loss of \$30.8 million (or minus 69 cents per share) in the same quarter last year and net sales of \$223.1 million and a net loss of \$10.5 million (or minus 24 cents per share) for the second quarter of 2016. Cash generated from operating activities was \$7.5 million for the third quarter of 2016.

EBITDA for the third quarter was a loss of \$3.7 million, including \$5.4 million of pre-tax pension settlement expense. Without the pension settlement expense, EBITDA would have exceeded the company's third-quarter guidance.

"Our operating performance continues to improve even in a challenging market environment," said Tim Timken, chairman, CEO and president. "This downturn is one of the longest our energy and industrial markets have experienced, but indicators now are trending in a positive direction. We've used this tough environment as an opportunity to further improve our cost structure and accelerate innovation. Our sales, supply chain and manufacturing teams are working together to leverage our material knowledge and modern assets to deliver customer value in new ways. We've taken actions that have improved our short-term performance and will make us an even stronger company when markets recover."

THIRD-QUARTER 2016 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Third-quarter net sales decreased \$18.9 million or 8.1 percent year over year and \$9.3 million or 4.2 percent sequentially.

- Ship tons were approximately 178,000, a decrease of 0.5 percent over the third quarter of 2015, and 6.3 percent sequentially.
- U.S. rig count is about 40 percent lower compared with the third quarter of 2015, resulting in decreased demand for energy and related industrial products.
- The sequential decrease in net sales was driven primarily by seasonal customer shutdowns in automotive and continued end-market weakness for industrial products.

⁽¹⁾ Please see discussion of non-GAAP financial measures at the end of this press release.

- Surcharge revenue for the quarter was \$28.9 million.
 - Compared with third-quarter 2015, surcharge revenue decreased 6.8 percent as a result of raw material indices being lower year over year.
 - Compared with second-quarter 2016, surcharge revenue increased 24.6 percent, primarily due to the sequential increase in the No. 1 Busheling Index.

EBIT was a loss of \$22.7 million, compared with an EBIT loss of \$48.9 million for the same period a year ago and an EBIT loss of \$14.5 million for the second-quarter 2016.

- Year over year, third-quarter EBIT improved due to the realization of cost reduction actions and favorable timing impact related to raw material spread, partially offset by unfavorable volume, price and mix impacts from weak end markets and non-cash pension settlement expense.
- Sequentially, EBIT was unfavorable primarily due to a \$5.4 million pre-tax pension settlement expense and seasonal manufacturing maintenance costs.
- Melt utilization was 44 percent for the quarter, compared with 40 percent in third-quarter 2015 and 45 percent in second-quarter 2016.

OUTLOOK

Fourth-Quarter 2016 Revenue

- Shipments are expected to be approximately 5 percent lower than third-quarter 2016.
 - Automotive demand is likely to be lower due to ongoing seasonal impacts.
 - Continued pressure on oil and gas shipments is expected due to low levels of energy exploration and production spend.
 - Industrial demand is expected to remain low, but stable.
- Weak market dynamics and imports are expected to continue to pressure pricing.

Fourth-Quarter 2016 EBITDA

- EBITDA, excluding pension settlement expenses, is projected to be between a loss of \$10 million and breakeven. At this time, the company is unable to reconcile its EBITDA outlook to a comparable GAAP range due to an expected non-cash pension settlement expense. Since this expense is dependent on a full re-measurement of our salaried pension plan assets and obligations as of December 31, 2016, the amount of the expense cannot currently be estimated.
- Melt utilization is expected to be similar to third quarter.

⁽¹⁾ Please see discussion of non-GAAP financial measures at the end of this press release.

- Negative impact from raw material spread is expected due to declining scrap prices.

Other Guidance

- 2016 capital spending is projected to be \$45 million.

The company will host a conference call at 9 a.m. EDT on Friday, October 28, 2016, to discuss its financial performance with investors and analysts. The company’s quarterly report on Form 10-Q, financial results and earnings supporting information for the third quarter of 2016 are available on our website at investors.timkensteel.com.

Conference Call Friday, October 28, 2016 9 a.m. EDT	Toll-free dial-in: 877-201-0168 International dial-in: 647-788-4901 Conference ID: 86318135
Conference Call Replay Available through Nov. 14, 2016	Dial-in: 855-859-2056 or 404-537-3406 Replay passcode: 86318135
Live Webcast	investors.timkensteel.com

About TimkenSteel Corporation

TimkenSteel (NYSE:TMST, timkensteel.com) creates tailored steel products and services for demanding applications, helping customers push the bounds of what’s possible within their industries. The company reaches around the world in its customers’ products and leads North America in large alloy steel bars (up to 16 inches in diameter) and seamless mechanical tubing made of its special bar quality (SBQ) steel, as well as supply chain and steel services. TimkenSteel makes all of its steel in the United States and operates warehouses and sales offices in four other countries. The company posted sales of \$1.1 billion in 2015 and was named Steel Producer of the Year by *American Metal Market*. Follow us on Twitter [@TimkenSteel](https://twitter.com/TimkenSteel) and on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/timkensteel).

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NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

TimkenSteel reports its financial results in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“GAAP”) and corresponding metrics as non-GAAP financial measures. EBIT is defined as net (loss) income before interest expense and income taxes and EBITDA is defined as net (loss) income before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBIT, EBITDA and EBITDA excluding pension settlement expenses are important financial measures used in the management of the business, including decisions concerning the allocation of resources and assessment of performance. Management believes that reporting EBIT, EBITDA and EBITDA excluding pension settlement expenses is useful to investors as these measures are representative of the company's performance. These measures also are a useful reflection of the underlying growth from the ongoing activities of the business and provide improved comparability of results.

See the attached schedules for supplemental financial data and corresponding reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures referred to above to the most comparable GAAP financial measures. Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative for, TimkenSteel's results prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the non-GAAP measures TimkenSteel uses may differ from non-GAAP measures used by other companies, and other companies may not define the non-GAAP measures TimkenSteel uses in the same way.

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This news release includes “forward-looking” statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. You can generally identify the company’s forward-looking statements by words such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “forecast,” “outlook,” “intend,” “may,” “plan,” “possible,” “potential,” “predict,” “project,” “seek,” “target,” “should” or “would” or other similar words, phrases or expressions that convey the uncertainty of future events or outcomes. The company cautions readers that actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of the company due to a variety of factors, such as: the company’s ability to realize the expected benefits of its spinoff from The Timken Company; the costs associated with being an independent public company, which may be higher than anticipated; deterioration in world economic conditions, or in economic conditions in any of the geographic regions in which the company conducts business, including additional adverse effects from global economic slowdown, terrorism or hostilities, including political risks associated with the potential instability of governments and legal systems in countries in which the company or its customers conduct business,

and changes in currency valuations; the effects of fluctuations in customer demand on sales, product mix and prices in the industries in which the company operates, including the ability of the company to respond to rapid changes in customer demand, the effects of customer bankruptcies or liquidations, the impact of changes in industrial business cycles, and whether conditions of fair trade exist in U.S. markets; competitive factors, including changes in market penetration, increasing price competition by existing or new foreign and domestic competitors, the introduction of new products by existing and new competitors, and new technology that may impact the way the company's products are sold or distributed; changes in operating costs, including the effect of changes in the company's manufacturing processes, changes in costs associated with varying levels of operations and manufacturing capacity, availability of raw materials and energy, the company's ability to mitigate the impact of fluctuations in raw materials and energy costs and the effectiveness of its surcharge mechanism, changes in the expected costs associated with product warranty claims, changes resulting from inventory management, cost reduction initiatives and different levels of customer demands, the effects of unplanned work stoppages, and changes in the cost of labor and benefits; the success of the company's operating plans, announced programs, initiatives and capital investments (including the jumbo bloom vertical caster and advanced quench-and-temper facility), the ability to integrate acquired companies, the ability of acquired companies to achieve satisfactory operating results, including results being accretive to earnings, and the company's ability to maintain appropriate relations with unions that represent its employees in certain locations in order to avoid disruptions of business; and the availability of financing and interest rates, which affect the company's cost of funds and/or ability to raise capital, the company's pension obligations and investment performance, and/or customer demand and the ability of customers to obtain financing to purchase the company's products or equipment that contain its products.

Additional risks relating to the company's business, the industries in which the company operates or the company's common shares may be described from time to time in the company's filings with the SEC. All of these risk factors are difficult to predict, are subject to material uncertainties that may affect actual results and may be beyond the company's control.

Readers are cautioned that it is not possible to predict or identify all of the risks, uncertainties and other factors that may affect future results and that the above list should not be considered to be a complete list. Except as required by the federal securities laws, the company undertakes no obligation

to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.



CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Dollars in millions, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net sales	\$654.8	\$899.6	\$213.8	\$232.7	\$223.1	\$278.2
Cost of products sold	638.7	884.6	211.3	253.2	212.9	284.3
Gross Profit (Loss)	16.1	15.0	2.5	(20.5)	10.2	(6.1)
Selling, general & administrative expenses (SG&A)	71.6	85.4	25.0	26.6	23.7	29.7
Impairment and restructuring charges	0.3	2.8	—	0.8	0.3	1.6
Other expense, net	1.7	2.4	0.2	1.0	0.7	0.5
Earnings (Loss) Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT) ⁽¹⁾	(57.5)	(75.6)	(22.7)	(48.9)	(14.5)	(37.9)
Interest expense	8.0	2.0	3.9	0.9	2.1	1.0
Loss Before Income Taxes	(65.5)	(77.6)	(26.6)	(49.8)	(16.6)	(38.9)
Benefit for income taxes	(24.8)	(29.4)	(10.0)	(19.0)	(6.1)	(14.6)
Net Loss	(\$40.7)	(\$48.2)	(\$16.6)	(\$30.8)	(\$10.5)	(\$24.3)
Net Loss per Common Share:						
Basic loss per share	(\$0.92)	(\$1.08)	(\$0.38)	(\$0.69)	(\$0.24)	(\$0.54)
Diluted loss per share ⁽²⁾	(\$0.92)	(\$1.08)	(\$0.38)	(\$0.69)	(\$0.24)	(\$0.54)
Dividends per share	\$—	\$0.42	\$—	\$0.14	\$—	\$0.14
Weighted average shares outstanding	44,215,373	44,636,149	44,221,310	44,431,092	44,220,496	44,779,016
Weighted average shares outstanding - assuming dilution	44,215,373	44,636,149	44,221,310	44,431,092	44,220,496	44,779,016

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⁽²⁾ Common share equivalents, which include shares issuable for equity-based awards and upon the conversion of outstanding convertible notes, were excluded from the computation of diluted loss per share because the effect of their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive.



CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2016	June 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$23.3	\$37.2	\$42.4
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	103.8	97.4	80.9
Inventories, net	155.4	157.4	173.9
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	3.8	1.7	11.4
Other current assets	6.7	6.9	9.2
Total Current Assets	293.0	300.6	317.8
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	743.5	750.0	769.3
Other Assets			
Pension assets	11.0	24.1	20.0
Intangible assets, net	25.7	27.3	30.6
Other non-current assets	4.9	5.4	4.1
Total Other Assets	41.6	56.8	54.7
Total Assets	\$1,078.1	\$1,107.4	\$1,141.8
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable, trade	\$73.1	\$72.6	\$49.5
Salaries, wages and benefits	18.2	16.5	21.4
Accrued pension and postretirement costs	3.2	3.2	3.2
Other current liabilities	21.4	18.2	30.1
Total Current Liabilities	115.9	110.5	104.2
Convertible notes, net	65.6	65.1	—
Other long-term debt	70.2	80.2	200.2
Accrued pension and postretirement costs	143.8	130.1	114.1
Deferred income taxes	10.1	25.2	26.9
Other non-current liabilities	12.7	12.4	10.0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	302.4	313.0	351.2
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Additional paid-in capital	1,073.1	1,071.6	1,058.2
Retained deficit	(102.4)	(85.8)	(61.7)
Treasury shares	(45.1)	(45.1)	(46.3)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(265.8)	(256.8)	(263.8)
Total Shareholders' Equity	659.8	683.9	686.4
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$1,078.1	\$1,107.4	\$1,141.8

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
CASH PROVIDED (USED)				
Operating Activities				
Net loss	(\$16.6)	(\$30.8)	(\$40.7)	(\$48.2)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	19.0	17.9	56.2	54.6
Amortization related to convertible notes	0.8	—	1.1	—
Amortization related to other long-term debt	0.3	0.1	0.8	0.3
Impairment charges	—	0.5	—	0.9
(Gain) loss on sale or disposal of assets	(0.1)	0.8	1.0	1.0
Deferred income taxes	(9.8)	(18.2)	(24.9)	(30.2)
Stock-based compensation expense	1.6	1.2	4.6	6.0
Pension and postretirement expense	7.0	7.8	21.2	22.9
Loss on pension settlement	5.4	—	5.4	—
Pension and postretirement contributions and payments	0.2	(3.9)	(3.1)	(12.2)
Reimbursement from postretirement plan assets	—	—	13.3	—
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable, net	(6.5)	8.6	(23.0)	60.4
Inventories, net	2.0	33.5	18.5	97.8
Accounts payable, trade	0.5	(12.9)	23.6	(71.3)
Other accrued expenses	5.5	(2.4)	(8.4)	(33.8)
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	(2.1)	(0.1)	7.6	17.7
Other, net	0.3	(0.5)	2.3	(2.1)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	7.5	1.6	55.5	63.8
Investing Activities				
Capital expenditures	(10.9)	(18.3)	(26.1)	(52.9)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	—	0.1	—	0.4
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(10.9)	(18.2)	(26.1)	(52.5)
Financing Activities				
Cash dividends paid to shareholders	—	(6.2)	—	(18.7)
Purchase of treasury shares	—	(12.3)	—	(17.3)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	—	0.2	—	1.5
Credit agreement repayments	(10.0)	(5.0)	(130.0)	(45.0)
Credit agreement borrowings	—	35.0	—	65.0
Issuance costs related to credit agreement	—	—	(1.7)	—
Proceeds from issuance of convertible notes	—	—	86.3	—
Issuance costs related to convertible notes	(0.5)	—	(3.1)	—
Net transfers to Timken and affiliates	—	—	—	(0.5)
Net Cash (Used) Provided by Financing Activities	(10.5)	11.7	(48.5)	(15.0)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	—	—	—	—
Decrease In Cash and Cash Equivalents	(13.9)	(4.9)	(19.1)	(3.7)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	37.2	35.7	42.4	34.5
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$23.3	\$30.8	\$23.3	\$30.8



Reconciliation of Earnings (Loss) Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT) ⁽¹⁾ and Earnings (Loss) Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) ⁽²⁾ to GAAP Net Loss:

This reconciliation is provided as additional relevant information about the Company's performance. Management believes EBIT and EBITDA are representative of the Company's performance and therefore useful to investors. Management also believes that it is appropriate to compare GAAP net loss to EBIT and EBITDA.

(Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended June 30,
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
Net loss	(\$40.7)	(\$48.2)	(\$16.6)	(\$30.8)	(\$10.5)
Benefit for income taxes	(24.8)	(29.4)	(10.0)	(19.0)	(6.1)
Interest expense	8.0	2.0	3.9	0.9	2.1
Earnings (Loss) Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT) ⁽¹⁾	(\$57.5)	(\$75.6)	(\$22.7)	(\$48.9)	(\$14.5)
EBIT Margin ⁽¹⁾	(8.8)%	(8.4)%	(10.6)%	(21.0)%	(6.5)%
Depreciation and amortization	56.2	54.6	19.0	17.9	18.5
Earnings (Loss) Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) ⁽²⁾	(\$1.3)	(\$21.0)	(\$3.7)	(\$31.0)	\$4.0
EBITDA Margin ⁽²⁾	(0.2)%	(2.3)%	(1.7)%	(13.3)%	1.8 %

(1) EBIT is defined as net earnings (loss) before interest expense and income taxes. EBIT Margin is EBIT as a percentage of net sales. EBIT and EBIT Margin are important financial measures used in the management of the business, including decisions concerning the allocation of resources and assessment of performance. Management believes that reporting EBIT and EBIT Margin is useful to investors as these measures are representative of the Company's performance.

(2) EBITDA is defined as net earnings (loss) before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA Margin is EBITDA as a percentage of net sales. EBITDA and EBITDA Margin are important financial measures used in the management of the business, including decisions concerning the allocation of resources and assessment of performance. Management believes that reporting EBITDA and EBITDA Margin is useful to investors as these measures are representative of the Company's performance.



Reconciliation of Total Debt to Net Debt and the Ratio of Total Debt and Net Debt to Capital:

This reconciliation is provided as additional relevant information about the Company's financial position. Capital, used for the ratio of total debt to capital and net debt to capital, is defined as total debt plus total equity. Management believes net debt is an important measure of the Company's financial position due to the amount of cash and cash equivalents.

(Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2016	June 30, 2016	December 31, 2015
Convertible notes, net	\$65.6	\$65.1	\$—
Other long-term debt	70.2	80.2	200.2
Total long-term financing	135.8	145.3	200.2
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	23.3	37.2	42.4
Net Debt	\$112.5	\$108.1	\$157.8
Total Equity	\$659.8	\$683.9	\$686.4
Ratio of Total Debt to Capital	17.1%	17.5%	22.6%
Ratio of Net Debt to Capital	14.1%	13.0%	17.8%

Reconciliation of Free Cash Flow to GAAP Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:

Management believes that free cash flow is useful to investors because it is a meaningful indicator of cash generated from operating activities available for the execution of its business strategy.

(Dollars in millions) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$7.5	\$1.6	\$55.5	\$63.8
Less: Capital expenditures	(10.9)	(18.3)	(26.1)	(52.9)
Free Cash Flow	(\$3.4)	(\$16.7)	\$29.4	\$10.9