#### 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 26, 2016



#### MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 25-0790410 **Delaware** 1-6770 (Commission File (State or other (IRS Employer jurisdiction of Number) Identification No.) incorporation) 8285 Tournament Drive Suite 150 Memphis, Tennessee 38125 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (901) 753-3200 Registrant's telephone number, including area code: Registrant's Former Name or Address, if changed since last report: N/A 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): Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 26, 2016, the Registrant issued a press release announcing earnings for the quarter ended April 2, 2016. A copy of the press release announcing the first quarter 2016 earnings is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release, dated April 26, 2016 reporting first quarter 2016 earnings.

### **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.

MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Martin Jeffrey A. Martin Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer By: Name: Title:

Date: April 26, 2016

#### **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release, dated April 26, 2016.

#### Mueller Industries, Inc. Reports First Quarter 2016 Results

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 26, 2016 -- Mueller Industries, Inc. (NYSE: MLI) announced that net income for the first quarter of 2016 was \$28.6 million, or 50 cents per diluted share, compared with net income of \$22.0 million, or 39 cents per diluted share, for the same period of 2015.

Revenues for the first quarter of 2016 were \$532.8 million compared with \$537.2 million for the same quarter last year. Revenue related to higher unit volume was muted by a decline of approximately \$75.2 million in overall selling prices.

Financial and Operating Highlights for the first quarter of 2016:

- · Copper prices were down approximately 21% in the first quarter versus the same period last year, resulting in the lower selling prices.
- The first quarter of 2016 comprised four more work days than the first quarter of 2015.
- Included in the results is \$2.9 million of net income from Tecumseh Products Co., an unconsolidated affiliate, which includes effects from purchase accounting.
- Ending cash for the period was \$270 million or \$4.73 per share and our current ratio remains strong at 4.1 to 1.

Greg Christopher, CEO, said "Business conditions remain consistent with what we saw at the end of 2015 and our view of the future remains steady."

In addition, he commented, "Today, we expect to close on our announced agreement to acquire a 60 percent equity interest in Jungwoo Metal Ind. Co., Ltd, a manufacturer of copper-based joining products. We are pleased to bring this transaction to close, and excited to begin working together."

Mueller Industries, Inc. is an industrial manufacturer that specializes in copper and copper alloy manufacturing while also producing goods made from aluminum, steel, and plastics. It is headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee and comprises a network of operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Great Britain, and China. Its products include tubing, fittings, valves, vessels, and related items for plumbing and HVACR related piping systems, as well as rod, forgings, extrusions, and various components for OEM applications. Products are distributed into sectors such as building construction, appliance, defense, energy, and automotive.

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Statements in this release that are not strictly historical may be "forward-looking" statements, which involve risks and uncertainties. These include economic and currency conditions, continued availability of raw materials and energy, market demand, pricing, competitive and technological factors, and the availability of financing, among others, as set forth in the Company's SEC filings. The words "outlook," "estimate," "project," "intend," "expect," "believe," "target," "encourage," "anticipate," "appear," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The reader should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report. The Company has no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect events after the date of this report.

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# MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

	For the Quar		Ended
(In thousands, except per share data)	April 2, 2016	M	larch 28, 2015
Net sales	\$ 532,809	\$	537,242
	446.645		460.024
Cost of goods sold Depreciation and amortization	446,642 8,920		460,834 7,853
Selling, general, and administrative expense	35,780		32,831
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Operating income	41,467		35,724
Interest expense	(1,848		(2,076)
Other income, net	245		105
Income before income taxes	39,864		33,753
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Income tax expense Income from unconsolidated affiliate, net of tax	2,922		(11,413)
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Consolidated net income	28,665		22,340
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(35	)	(362)
Net income attributable to Mueller Industries, Inc.	\$ 28,630	\$	21,978
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Weighted average shares for basic earnings per share	56,467	,	56,193
Effect of dilutive stock-based awards	495		731
	7.00		56.024
Adjusted weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share	56,962	_	56,924
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.51	\$	0.39
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.50	\$	0.39
Dividends per share	\$ 0.075	5 \$	0.075
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Summary Segment Data:			
Net sales:	A		251 102
Piping Systems Segment	\$ 368,890		361,482
Industrial Metals Segment	134,521		151,036
Climate Segment	30,706		25,811
Elimination of intersegment sales	(1,308	)	(1,087)
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Net sales	\$ 532,809	\$	537,242
Operating income:			
Piping Systems Segment	\$ 31,159	\$	26,259
Industrial Metals Segment	19,912		18,959
Climate Segment	3,879		2,265
Unallocated expenses	(13,483	)	(11,759)
Operating income	\$ 41,467	<b>'</b> \$	35,724
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# MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

(In thousands) ASSETS	Ap	oril 2, 2016	Dec	cember 26, 2015
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	270,149	\$	274,844
Accounts receivable, net	Ψ	275,881	Ψ	251,571
Inventories		240,608		239,378
Other current assets		34,123		34,608
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Total current assets		820,761		800,401
Property, plant, and equipment, net		278,481		280,224
Other assets	_	261,778		258,176
Total assets	\$	1,361,020	\$	1,338,801
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current portion of debt	\$	4,583	\$	11,760
Accounts payable		98,324		88,051
Other current liabilities	_	99,701		109,618
Total current liabilities		202,608		209,429
Long-term debt		206,000		204,250
Pension and postretirement liabilities		33,715		34,876
Environmental reserves		20,932		20,943
Deferred income taxes		8,310		7,161
Other noncurrent liabilities	_	2,973	_	2,440
Total liabilities		474,538		479,099
Total Mueller Industries, Inc. stockholders' equity		854,804		827,285
Noncontrolling interest		31,678		32,417
Total equity		886,482		859,702
	\$	1,361,020	\$	1,338,801

# MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

	For the Quarter Ended			
(In thousands)	April 2, 2016	March 28, 2015		
Cash flows from operating activities				
Consolidated net income	\$ 28,665	\$ 22,340		
Reconciliation of consolidated net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	9,011	8,015		
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliate	(2,922)	_		
Stock-based compensation expense	1,236	1,349		
(Gain) loss on disposal of properties	(23)	1		
Deferred income taxes	1,895	(570)		
Income tax benefit from exercise of stock options	(96)	(69)		
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of business acquired:				
Receivables	(25,089)	(36,692)		
Inventories	(1,631)	7,534		
Other assets	(370)	9,257		
Current liabilities	655	(7,389)		
Other liabilities	(704)	(131)		
Other, net	(291)	245		
Net cash provided by operating activities	10,336	3,890		
Cash flows from investing activities				
Capital expenditures	(5,892)	(7,392)		
Net withdrawals from (deposits into) restricted cash balances	84	(12,593)		
Proceeds from sale of assets	1	492		
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,807)	(19,493)		
Cash flows from financing activities				
Dividends paid to stockholders of Mueller Industries, Inc.	(4,236)	(4,216)		
Repayment of debt by joint venture, net	(7,024)	(3,817)		
Repayment of long-term debt	(250)	(250)		
Issuance of long-term debt	2,000	_		
Net cash received to settle stock-based awards	361	93		
Income tax benefit from exercise of stock options	96	69		
Net cash used in financing activities	(9,053)	(8,121)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(171)	(1,516)		
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(4,695)	(25,240)		
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	274,844	352,134		
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	\$ 270,149	\$ 326,894		

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