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 23, 2024



MUELLER INDUSTRIES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>1-6770</u> 25-0790410 **Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of incorporation) Number) Identification No.) 150 Schilling Boulevard **Suite 100** Collierville 38017 **Tennessee** (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (901) 753-3200 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)) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class **Trading Symbol** Name of exchange on which registered Common Stock MLI NYSE Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company □ If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new of revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \square

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 23, 2024, the Registrant issued a press release announcing earnings for the quarter ended March 30, 2024. A copy of the press release announcing the first quarter 2024 earnings is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release, dated April 23, 2024 reporting first quarter 2024 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.

By: /s/ANTHONY J. STEINRIEDE

Name: Anthony J. Steinriede

Title: Vice President - Corporate Controller

April 24, 2024

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Press release, dated April 23, 2024</u>



Mueller Industries, Inc. Reports First Quarter 2024 Earnings

COLLIERVILLE, Tenn., April 23, 2024 -- Mueller Industries, Inc. (NYSE: MLI) announces results for the first quarter of 2024. Comparisons are to the first quarter of 2023.

- Net Income of \$138.4 million versus \$173.2 million
- Earnings Before Taxes of \$201.6 million versus \$237.4 million
- Net Sales of \$849.7 million versus \$971.2 million
- Diluted EPS* of \$1.21 versus \$1.54

(*adjusted retroactively to reflect the two-for-one stock split that took effect on October 20, 2023)

First Quarter Financial and Operating Highlights:

- COMEX copper averaged \$3.86 per pound during the quarter, 5.6% lower than in the first quarter of 2023.
- The decrease in net sales was attributable to lower demand for our products that are primarily consumed in residential building, as well as lower selling prices as a result of the lower copper prices.
- We recorded a \$10.3 million loss on our investment in Tecumseh Products Company, largely driven by restructuring charges in its international operations.
- · Net cash generated from operations was \$173.6 million, and our cash balance was \$1.36 billion at quarter end.
- Our current ratio was 6.0 to 1.

Regarding the quarter performance, Greg Christopher, Mueller's CEO said, "The first quarter of 2023 represented the tail end of the period of robust demand we experienced stemming from the market's overreaction to the 2022 supply chain crisis. Given this normalization of demand, as well as the effects persistent inflation and high interest rates have had on business conditions, our 2024 first quarter performance was in line with our expectations. The rationalization actions we took in 2023 had their intended impact and contributed to the sustained margins."

Regarding the outlook, Mr. Christopher continued, "As reported in our annual report, our long-term outlook for our business remains positive and we are well positioned for the expected rebound in demand. Additionally, we anticipate another strong year of cash flow from operations. Our capital allocation priorities remain reinvestment in our operations to be a low cost producer and growth through acquisition. As previously reported, we are excited to complete our acquisition of Nehring Electrical Works, and look

forward to capitalizing on the strong growth and expansion platform it will provide to us in the critical electrical transmission infrastructure market."

Mueller Industries, Inc. (NYSE: MLI) is an industrial corporation whose holdings manufacture vital goods for important markets such as air, water, oil and gas distribution; climate comfort; food preservation; energy transmission; medical; aerospace; and automotive. It includes a network of companies and brands throughout North America, Europe, Asia, and the Middle East.

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 Q	For the Quarter Ended			
(In thousands, except per share data)	March 30, 2024	April 1, 2023			
Net sales	\$ 849,654	\$ 971,192			
Cost of goods sold Depreciation and amortization Selling, general, and administrative expense	608,703 9,169 48,357	10,657			
Operating income	183,425	229,106			
Interest expense Interest income Realized gains on short-term investments Other income, net	(115) 17,245 365 630	(143) 6,235 1,910 326			
Income before income taxes	201,550	237,434			
Income tax expense Loss from unconsolidated affiliates, net of foreign tax	(51,834) (8,007)	` ' '			
Consolidated net income	141,709	175,093			
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(3,346)	(1,854)			
Net income attributable to Mueller Industries, Inc.	\$ 138,363	\$ 173,239			
Weighted average shares for basic earnings per share ⁽¹⁾ Effect of dilutive stock-based awards ⁽¹⁾	111,416 				
Adjusted weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share ⁽¹⁾	114,145	112,800			
Basic earnings per share (1)	\$ 1.24	\$ 1.56			
Diluted earnings per share (1)	\$ 1.21	\$ 1.54			
Dividends per share (1)	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.15			

 $^{^{(1)}}$ Adjusted retroactively to reflect the two-for-one stock split that occurred on October 20, 2023.

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

		For the Quarter Ended			
(In thousands)	March	30, 2024	April 1, 2023		
Summary Segment Data:					
Net sales:					
Piping Systems Segment	\$	590,168 \$	662,479		
Industrial Metals Segment		156,067	165,234		
Climate Segment		116,810	152,954		
Elimination of intersegment sales		(13,391)	(9,475)		
Net sales	\$	849,654 \$	971,192		
Operating income:					
Piping Systems Segment	\$	142,680 \$	163,854		
Industrial Metals Segment		24,271	27,215		
Climate Segment		32,575	53,988		
Unallocated income (expenses)		(16,101)	(15,951)		
Operating income	\$	183,425 \$	229,106		

MUELLER INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands) ASSETS	,	(Unaudited) March 30, 2024		December 30, 2023	
	\$	1,357,952	¢.	1,170,893	
Cash and cash equivalents Short-term investments	2	1,357,952	3	98,146	
Accounts receivable, net		424,406		351,561	
Inventories		356,869		380,248	
Other current assets		45,379			
One current assets		43,379		39,173	
Total current assets		2,184,606		2,040,021	
Property, plant, and equipment, net		390,517		385,165	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		33,819		35,170	
Other assets		285,300		298,945	
Total assets	\$	2,894,242	\$	2,759,301	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current portion of debt	\$	705	\$	796	
Accounts payable		160,133		120,485	
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		8,072		7,893	
Other current liabilities		192,371		187,964	
Total current liabilities		361,281		317,138	
Long-term debt		130		185	
Pension and postretirement liabilities		11,361		12,062	
Environmental reserves		14,919		15,030	
Deferred income taxes		22,687		19,134	
Noncurrent operating lease liabilities		25,451		26,683	
Other noncurrent liabilities		10,043		10,353	
Total liabilities		445,872		400,585	
Total Mueller Industries, Inc. stockholders' equity		2,424,374		2,337,445	
Noncontrolling interests		23,996		21,271	
Total equity		2,448,370		2,358,716	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	2,894,242	\$	2,759,301	

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

	For the Quarter Ended				
(In thousands)	March 30, 2024			April 1, 2023	
Cash flows from operating activities					
Consolidated net income	\$	141,709	\$	175,093	
Reconciliation of consolidated net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		9,250		10,746	
Stock-based compensation expense		6,231		5,637	
Provision for doubtful accounts receivable		1		(15)	
Loss from unconsolidated affiliates		8,007		984	
Dividends from unconsolidated affiliates		2,024		_	
Insurance proceeds - noncapital related		15,000		_	
Gain on disposals of properties		(1,567)		(115)	
Gain on sales of securities		(365)		_	
Deferred income tax expense		940		372	
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effects of business sold:					
Receivables		(75,200)		(111,547)	
Inventories		22,502		(581)	
Other assets		11,984		(17,950)	
Current liabilities		33,948		50,842	
Other liabilities		(907)		(2,275)	
Other, net		68		427	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	173,625	\$	111,618	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Capital expenditures	\$	(16,406)	\$	(7,556)	
Insurance proceeds - capital related		_		8,000	
Purchase of short-term investments		_		50,000	
Proceeds from the sale of securities		96,465		_	
Issuance of notes receivable		(12,500)		_	
Proceeds from sales of properties		2,878		118	
Dividends from unconsolidated affiliates				644	
Net cash provided by investing activities	\$	70,437	\$	51,206	

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

	For the Quarter Ended			
(In thousands)	March 30, 2024		April 1, 2023	
Cash flows from financing activities				
Dividends paid to stockholders of Mueller Industries, Inc.	\$	(22,255)	\$	(16,729)
Repurchase of common stock		(27,930)		_
Repayments of debt		(56)		(56)
(Repayment) issuance of debt by consolidated joint ventures, net		(77)		297
Net cash used to settle stock-based awards		(2,489)		(2,611)
Net cash used in financing activities	\$	(52,807)	\$	(19,099)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(670)		2,573
Increase in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		190,585		146,298
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at the beginning of the period		1,174,223		465,296
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at the end of the period	\$	1,364,808	\$	611,594