

Accenture plc
Form 8-K
March 26, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 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): March 26, 2015
Accenture plc
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Ireland | 001-34448 | 98-0627530 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

1 Grand Canal Square,
Grand Canal Harbour,
Dublin 2, Ireland

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (353) (1) 646-2000

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 (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))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On March 26, 2015, Accenture plc (“Accenture”) issued a news release announcing financial results for its second quarter of fiscal year 2015, which fiscal quarter ended on February 28, 2015.

A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99. All information in the news release is furnished but not filed.

Non-GAAP Financial Information

In the attached news release Accenture discloses the following non-GAAP financial measures:

Free cash flow (defined as operating cash flow net of property and equipment additions). Accenture’s management believes that this information provides meaningful additional information regarding the company’s liquidity.

Percentage changes in revenues before reimbursements (“net revenues”) on a local currency basis. Financial results in local currency are calculated by restating current period activity into U.S. dollars using the comparable prior year period’s foreign currency exchange rates. This approach is used for all results where the functional currency is not the U.S. dollar. Accenture’s management believes that information regarding changes in its net revenues that excludes the effect of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates facilitates meaningful comparison of its net revenues before reimbursements.

Earnings per share business outlook and operating margin business outlook excluding the non-cash charge related to the settlement of certain U.S. pension obligations. Accenture’s management believes that information regarding the effect of the settlement charge on earnings per share and operating margin facilitates understanding as to both the impact of the settlement charge and the company’s operating performance.

Reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP are included in the news release. While Accenture’s management believes that this non-GAAP financial information is useful in evaluating Accenture’s operations, this information should be considered as supplemental in nature and not as a substitute for the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99 News Release of Accenture, dated March 26, 2015

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.

Date: March 26, 2015

ACCENTURE PLC

By: /s/ Julie Spellman Sweet

Name: Julie Spellman Sweet

General Counsel, Secretary & Chief Compliance

Title: Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99 | News Release of Accenture, dated March 26, 2015 |