

MASTERCARD INC
Form 8-K
July 28, 2016

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): July 28, 2016

MasterCard Incorporated
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-32877 13-4172551
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2000 Purchase Street 10577
Purchase, New York (Zip Code)
(Address of principal executive
offices)
(914) 249-2000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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 July 28, 2016, MasterCard Incorporated (“MasterCard”) issued a press release announcing financial results for its second quarter 2016.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. All information in the press release is furnished but not filed.

Non-GAAP Financial Information

In the attached press release, MasterCard discloses as non-GAAP financial measures, total operating expenses, operating income, income tax expense, net income and earnings per diluted share (as well as related applicable growth rates), operating margin and effective tax rate that each exclude the following items:

• during the three and six months ended June 30, 2016, a provision related to a judgment issued against MasterCard in a litigation with a merchant in the U.K.; and

• during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, a provision related to a settlement with a merchant in the U.K.

The provisions for litigation for both years relate to separate merchant litigations in the U.K. MasterCard excluded these provisions because its management monitors material litigation judgments and settlements separately from ongoing operations and evaluates ongoing performance without these amounts. MasterCard’s management believes that the non-GAAP financial measures presented facilitate an understanding of MasterCard’s operating performance and meaningful comparison of its results between periods.

In the attached press release, management also presents growth rates on a currency-neutral basis, which is a non-GAAP financial measure. Currency-neutral growth rates are calculated by remeasuring the prior period’s results using the current period’s exchange rates for both the translational and transactional impacts on our operating results. The impact of foreign currency translation represents the effect of translating operating results where the functional currency is different than our U.S. dollar reporting currency. The impact of the transactional foreign currency represents the effect of converting revenue and expenses occurring in a currency other than the functional currency. MasterCard’s management believes the presentation of certain currency-neutral growth rates provides relevant information.

MasterCard’s management uses non-GAAP financial measures to, among other things, evaluate its ongoing operations in relation to historical results, for internal planning and forecasting purposes and in the calculation of performance-based compensation. The attached press release includes reconciliations of the requisite non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. The presentation of non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for MasterCard’s related financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release issued by MasterCard Incorporated, dated July 28, 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.

**MASTERCARD
INCORPORATED**

Date: July 28, 2016 By: /s/ Janet McGinness
Janet McGinness
Corporate Secretary

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