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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
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Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 5, 2012

WRIGHT MEDICAL GROUP, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

000-32883
(Commission
File Number)

13-4088127
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

5677 Airline Road,
Arlington, Tennessee
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

38002
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (901) 867-9971

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 5, 2012, Wright Medical Group, Inc. issued a press release announcing its consolidated financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2012. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this report.

The attached press release includes the following non-GAAP measures: net sales, excluding the impact of foreign currency; operating income, as adjusted; net income, as adjusted; net income, as adjusted, per diluted share; net loss, as adjusted including stock based expense, per diluted share; effective tax rate, as adjusted; and free cash flow.

These non-GAAP measures are not in accordance with, or an alternative for, generally accepted accounting principles and may be different from non-GAAP measures used by other companies. In addition, these non-GAAP measures are not based on any comprehensive set of accounting rules or principles. We believe that non-GAAP measures have limitations in that they do not reflect all of the amounts associated with our results of operations as determined in accordance with GAAP and that these measures should only be used to evaluate our results of operations in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP measures.

For our internal budgeting and resource allocation process, our management uses financial information that does not include (a) restructuring charges, (b) non-cash stock-based compensation expense, (c) costs associated with our deferred prosecution agreement (DPA), (d) non-cash inventory step-up amortization, (e) transaction costs and non-cash deferred financing fees associated with the 2.625% Convertible Senior Notes due 2014 (2014 Convertible Notes) tender offer, (f) costs associated with distributor conversions and amortization of non-competes, (g) loss on the termination of the interest rate swap, (h) non-cash interest expense related to the Convertible Notes due 2017 (2017 Convertible Notes), (i) the unrealized gain on the mark-to-market of derivatives, (j) transaction costs and non-cash deferred financing fees associated with the senior credit facility termination and 2014 Convertible Notes, (k) a charge for management's estimate of our total liability for claims associated with previous and estimated future fractures of our titanium PROFEMUR® long neck in North America, (l) expenses associated with settlement of certain employment matters and the hiring of a new chief executive officer (CEO) and (m) the income tax effects of the foregoing. Additionally, for our internal budgeting process and evaluation of net sales performance, our management uses net sales in constant currency. To measure our sales performance on a constant currency basis, it is necessary to remove the impact of changes in foreign exchange rates, which affects the comparability and trend of sales. Net sales, excluding the impact of foreign currency, is calculated by translating current year results at prior year average foreign currency exchange rates. For our internal budgeting and resource allocation process, management uses free cash flow. Free cash flow is calculated by subtracting capital expenditures from cash provided by operating activities.

We use these non-GAAP financial measures in making operating decisions because we believe the measures provide meaningful supplemental information regarding our core operational performance and give us a better understanding of how we should invest in research and development activities and how we should allocate resources to both ongoing and prospective business initiatives. We use these measures to help make budgeting and spending decisions, for example, between product development expenses and research and development, sales and marketing and general and administrative expenses. Additionally, management is evaluated on the basis of these non-GAAP financial measures when determining achievement of their incentive performance compensation targets. Further, these non-GAAP financial measures facilitate management's internal comparisons to both our historical operating results and to our competitors' operating results.

As described above, we exclude the following items from one or more of our non-GAAP measures:

Foreign currency impact on net sales. We exclude the foreign currency impact on net sales compared to prior year from our non-GAAP measure, primarily because it is not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and it is not used by management for our internal budgeting process and evaluation of net sales performance. We further believe that

excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that it allows for period-over-period comparability.

Restructuring charges. We exclude restructuring charges associated with the cost restructuring plan announced in September 2011 from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because they are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that it allows for period-over-period comparability.

Non-cash stock-based compensation expense. We exclude stock-based compensation expenses from our non-GAAP measures primarily because they are non-cash expenses. We believe that it is useful to investors to understand the application of Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standard Codification Topic 718, Compensation - Stock Compensation (FASB ASC 718) and its impact on our operational performance, liquidity, and our ability to invest in research and development and fund acquisitions and capital expenditures. While stock-based compensation expense calculated in accordance with FASB ASC 718 constitutes an ongoing and recurring expense, such expense is excluded from our non-GAAP results because it is not an expense that requires

cash settlement and is not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that it allows for greater transparency to certain line items in our financial statements. In addition, excluding this item from our non-GAAP results facilitates comparisons to our competitors' operating results.

Costs associated with our DPA. We recognized costs associated with our DPA (including the associated independent monitor). We excluded those costs from our non-GAAP results because such costs are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that these measures are useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Non-cash inventory step-up amortization. We exclude inventory step-up amortization associated with our acquisitions from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because they are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. Additionally, because these are non-cash expenses, they do not impact our operational performance, liquidity, or our ability to invest in R&D and fund acquisitions and capital expenditures. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that it allows for period-over-period comparability.

Transaction costs and non-cash deferred financing fees associated with our Convertible Notes tender offer. We excluded the transaction costs and non-cash deferred financing fees from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because they are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Distributor conversion costs and amortization of distributor non-competes. In connection with our initiative to convert a portion of our independent foot and ankle distributor territories to direct employee sales representation, we entered into conversion agreements with certain independent distributors, which included non-competition clauses. We excluded the distributor conversion costs and amortization of distributor non-competes from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because they are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Loss on termination of interest rate swap. We excluded the amount of loss on the termination of our interest rate swap from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because it is not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and it is not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Non-cash interest expense related to the 2017 Convertible Notes. We excluded the amount of non-cash interest expense from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because it is not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and it is not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Unrealized gain on the mark-to-market of the derivatives. We excluded the amount of unrealized gain on the mark-to-market adjustments on the derivatives from our non-GAAP measures, primarily because it is not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and it is not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Transaction costs and non-cash deferred financing fees associated with the senior credit facility termination and 2017 Convertible Notes. We excluded the transaction costs and non-cash deferred financing fees from our non-GAAP

measures, primarily because they are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Product liability provision. We excluded the charge for management's estimate of our total liability for claims associated with previous and estimated future fractures of our titanium Profemur® long modular necks in North America. We excluded those costs from our non-GAAP results because such costs are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that these measures are useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Employment matters. We excluded the costs associated with the settlement of certain employment matters and the hiring of a new CEO, primarily because they are not reflective of our ongoing operating results, and they are not used by management to assess the core profitability of our business operations. We further believe that excluding this item from our non-GAAP results is useful to investors in that they allow for period-over-period comparability.

Income tax effects of the foregoing. This amount is used to present each of the amounts described above, except for foreign currency impact on net sales, on an after-tax basis consistent with the presentation of net income, as adjusted.

We believe that non-GAAP measures have limitations in that they do not reflect all of the amounts associated with our financial results as determined in accordance with GAAP and that these measures should only be used to evaluate our financial results in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP measures, and that is why we qualify the use of non-GAAP financial information in a statement when non-GAAP information is presented.

We further believe that where the adjustments used in calculating net income, as adjusted, and net income, as adjusted, per diluted share are based on specific, identified amounts that impact different line items in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (including operating income and net income), that it is useful to investors to understand how these specific line items in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations are affected by these adjustments for the following reasons:

Operating income. Excluding non-cash stock-based compensation expense and non-cash inventory step-up amortization from the calculation of operating income assists investors in evaluating period-over-period changes without giving effect to these charges which are non-cash in nature, in order to evaluate the results of the underlying operating activities for the periods presented. Excluding restructuring charges, the costs associated with our DPA, distributor conversion costs and amortization of distributor non-competes, product liability provisions and employment matters from the calculation of operating income assists investors in evaluating period-over-period changes in this measure without giving effect to transactions which do not relate to the performance of our ongoing operations.

Net Income. Excluding non-cash stock-based compensation expense, non-cash inventory step-up amortization, non-cash deferred financing fees related to the 2014 Convertible Notes and non-cash interest expense related to the 2017 Convertible Notes from the calculation of net income assists investors in evaluating period-over-period changes without giving effect to these charges which are non-cash in nature, in order to evaluate the results of the underlying operating activities for the periods presented. Excluding restructuring charges, the costs associated with our DPA, transaction costs related to the 2014 Convertible Notes tender offer, distributor conversion costs and amortization of distributor non-competes, loss on termination of interest rate swap, unrealized gain on the mark-to-market adjustments on the derivatives, product liability provision, and employment matters from the calculation of net income assists investors in evaluating period-over-period changes in this measure without giving effect to transactions which do not relate to the performance of our ongoing operations.

Effective Tax Rate. Excluding the income tax effect of the non-GAAP, pre-tax adjustments from the provision for income taxes assists investors in understanding the tax provision associated with those adjustments and our effective tax rate related to our ongoing operations.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

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Description

Press release issued by Wright Medical Group, Inc. on November 5, 2012.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K may contain “forward-looking statements” as defined under U.S. federal securities laws. These statements reflect management's current knowledge, assumptions, beliefs, estimates, and expectations and express management's current view of future performance, results, and trends. Forward-looking statements may be identified by their use of terms such as anticipate, believe, could, estimate, expect, intend, may, plan, predict, project, will, and other similar terms. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to materially differ from those described in the forward-looking statements. The reader should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Such statements are made as of the date of this press release, and we undertake no obligation to update such statements after this date. Risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to materially differ from those described in forward-looking statements are discussed in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (including those described in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, in each case under the heading “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in such filings). By way of example and without implied limitation, such risks and uncertainties include: future actions of the United States Attorney's office, the FDA, the Department of Health and Human Services or other U.S. or foreign government authorities that could delay, limit or suspend our development, manufacturing, commercialization and sale of products, or result in seizures, injunctions, monetary sanctions or criminal or civil liabilities; any actual or alleged breach of the Corporate Integrity Agreement to which we are subject through September 2015 which could expose us to significant liability including exclusion from Medicare, Medicaid and other federal healthcare programs, potential criminal prosecution, and civil and criminal fines or penalties; adverse outcomes in existing product liability litigation; new product liability claims; inadequate insurance coverage; the possibility of private securities litigation or shareholder derivative suits; demand for and market acceptance of our new and existing products; potentially burdensome tax measures; lack of suitable business development opportunities; product quality or patient safety issues; challenges to our intellectual property rights; geographic and product mix impact on our sales; our inability to retain key sales representatives, independent distributors and other personnel or to attract new talent; inventory reductions or fluctuations in buying patterns by wholesalers or distributors; inability to realize the anticipated benefits of restructuring initiatives; negative impact of the commercial and credit environment on us, our customers and our suppliers; and the potentially negative effect of our ongoing compliance enhancements on our relationships with customers, and on our ability to deliver timely and effective medical education, clinical studies, and new products.

SIGNATURE

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: November 5, 2012

WRIGHT MEDICAL GROUP, INC.
By: /s/ Robert J. Palmisano
Robert J. Palmisano
President and Chief Executive Officer

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