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January 23, 2013

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): January 23, 2013

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan 0-9165 38-1239739 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2825 Airview Boulevard, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49002 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 269.385.2600

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

Stryker Corporation issued a press release on January 23, 2013 announcing its fourth quarter 2012 operating results. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated January 23, 2013

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.

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Registrant)

January 23, 2013 /s/ DEAN H. BERGY

Date Dean H. Bergy

Interim Chief Financial Officer and Vice

President, Corporate Secretary