

Hillenbrand, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
November 20, 2014

**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): **November 20, 2014**

**HILLENBRAND, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Indiana**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**1-33794**  
(Commission File Number)

**26-1342272**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One Batesville Boulevard**  
  
**Batesville, Indiana**  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

**47006**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(812) 934-7500**

**Not Applicable**

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(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:

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

A copy of presentation slides to be used by Hillenbrand, Inc. (the Company) in its quarterly conference call on November 20, 2014, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. These presentation slides are also available on the Company's website under Investor Relations at [www.hillenbrand.com](http://www.hillenbrand.com).

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In addition to financial measures prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. (GAAP), we also provide non-GAAP operating performance measures. These non-GAAP measures are referred to as adjusted and exclude expenses associated with backlog amortization, inventory step-up, business acquisitions and integration, restructuring, and litigation. The related income tax for all of these items is also excluded. This non-GAAP information is provided as a supplement, not as a substitute for, or as superior to, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Hillenbrand uses this non-GAAP information internally to make operating decisions and believes it is helpful to investors because it allows more meaningful period-to-period comparisons of ongoing operating results. The information can also be used to perform trend analysis and to better identify operating trends that may otherwise be masked or distorted by the types of items that are excluded. Finally, Hillenbrand believes this information provides a higher degree of transparency.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Presentation Slides

**Disclosure Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

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Throughout this release, including the Exhibits, we make a number of forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. As the words imply, forward-looking statements are statements about the future, as contrasted with historical information. Our forward-looking statements are based on assumptions and current expectations of future events that we believe are reasonable, but by their very nature they are subject to a wide range of risks. If our assumptions prove inaccurate or unknown risks and uncertainties materialize, actual results could vary materially from Hillenbrand's expectations and projections.

**Here is the key point:** *Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and our actual results could differ materially from those set forth in any forward-looking statements.* Any number of factors, many of which are beyond our control, could cause our performance to differ significantly from what is described in the forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to: the outcome of any legal proceedings that may be instituted against Hillenbrand, or any companies we may acquire; risks that an acquisition disrupts current operations or poses potential difficulties in employee retention or otherwise affects financial or operating results; the ability to recognize the benefits of an acquisition, including potential synergies and cost savings or the failure of an acquired company to achieve its plans and objectives generally; global market and economic conditions, including those related to the credit markets; volatility of our investment portfolio; adverse foreign currency fluctuations;

ongoing involvement in claims, lawsuits and governmental proceedings related to operations; labor disruptions; the dependence of our business units on relationships with several large providers; increased costs or unavailability of raw materials; continued fluctuations in mortality rates and increased cremations; competition from nontraditional sources in the death care industry; cyclical demand for industrial capital goods; and certain tax-related matters. For a more in-depth discussion of these and other factors that could cause actual results to differ from those contained in forward-looking statements, see the discussions under the heading "Risk Factors" in Part II, Item 1A of Hillenbrand's Form 10-K for the quarter and year ended September 30, 2014, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 19, 2014. The company assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking information.

**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.

**HILLENBRAND, INC.**

DATE: November 20, 2014

BY:

/S/ John R. Zerkle  
John R. Zerkle  
Senior Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary