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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

x QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013

OR

" TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number: 1-7665

LYDALL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

06-0865505

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Colonial Road, Manchester, Connecticut (Address of principal executive offices)

06042 (zip code)

(860) 646-1233

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such a shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T ($\S232.405$ of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer " Smaller reporting company "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes $\ddot{}$ No $\dot{}$ x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock \$.10 par value per share.

Total Shares outstanding October 25, 2013

16,791,192

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Lydall, Inc. and its subsidiaries are hereafter collectively referred to as "Lydall," the "Company" or the "Registrant." Lydall and its subsidiaries' names, abbreviations thereof, logos, and product and service designators are all either the registered or unregistered trademarks or trade names of Lydall and its subsidiaries.

CAUTIONARY NOTE CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Any statements contained in this report that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Exchange Act. All such forward-looking statements are intended to provide management's current expectations for the future operating and financial performance of the Company based on current expectations and assumptions relating to the Company's business, the economy and other future conditions. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified through the use of words such as "believes," "anticipates," "may," "should," "will," "plans," "projects," "expects," "expects," "eximates," "forecasts," "predicts," "targets," "prospects," "strategy," "signs" and other words of similar meaning in connecti the discussion of future operating or financial performance. Forward-looking statements may include, among other things, statements relating to future sales, earnings, cash flow, results of operations, uses of cash and other measures of financial performance. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent risks, uncertainties and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. Accordingly, the Company's actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. Investors, therefore, are cautioned against relying on any of these forward-looking statements. They are neither statements of historical fact nor guarantees or assurances of future performance. Forward-looking statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q include, among others, statements relating to:

Overall economic and business conditions and the effects on the Company's markets;

Outlook for the fourth quarter of 2013;

Expected vehicle production in the North American or European markets;

Growth opportunities in markets served by the Company's Performance Materials segment;

Product development and new business opportunities;

Future strategic transactions, including but not limited to: acquisitions, joint ventures, alliances,

licensing, agreements and divestitures;

Pension plan funding requirements;

Future cash flow and uses of cash;

Future repurchases of the Company's Common Stock;

Future amounts of stock-based compensation expense;

Future earnings and other measurements of financial performance;

Future levels of indebtedness and capital spending;

The Company's ability to meet cash operating requirements;

The Company's ability to meet financial covenants in its \$35.0 million senior secured domestic revolving credit facility;

The expected future impact of recently issued accounting pronouncements upon adoption;

Future effective income tax rates and realization of deferred tax assets;

Estimates of fair values of long-lived assets used in assessing long-lived assets for possible impairment; and

The expected outcomes of legal proceedings and other contingencies.

All forward-looking statements are inherently subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results of the Company to differ materially from those reflected in forward-looking statements made in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, in press releases and in other statements made by the Company's authorized officers. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, worldwide economic cycles that affect the markets which the Company's businesses serve which could have an effect on demand for the Company's products and impact the Company's

profitability, disruptions in the global credit and financial markets, including diminished liquidity and credit availability, swings in consumer confidence and spending, unstable economic growth, raw material pricing and supply issues, fluctuations in unemployment rates, and increases in fuel prices, as well as other risks and uncertainties identified in Part II, Item 1A Risk Factors of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors of Lydall's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The forward-looking statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q speak only as of the date of the initial filing of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or, in the case of any document incorporated by reference, the date of that document. Lydall does not undertake to publically update or revise any forward-looking statement made in this report or that may from time to time be made by or on behalf of the Company.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

LYDALL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In Thousands Except Per Share Data)

	Qua	arter Ended		
	Sep	tember 30,		
	201	3	2012	
	(Un	naudited)		
Net sales	\$	97,995	\$	94,167
Cost of sales		77,501		74,898
Gross profit		20,494		19,269
Selling, product development and administrative expenses		13,108		14,069
Operating income		7,386		5,200
Interest expense		77		96
Other income, net		(16)		(19)
Income before income taxes		7,325		5,123
Income tax expense		2,750		1,248
Net income	\$	4,575	\$	3,875
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$	0.28	\$	0.23
Diluted	\$	0.27	\$	0.23
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic		16,437		16,630
Diluted		16,735		16,943

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

LYDALL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In Thousands Except Per Share Data)

	201	September 30, 2013 (Unaudited)		2012	
Net sales	\$	298,075	\$	288,456	
Cost of sales		233,179		227,953	
Gross profit		64,896		60,503	
Selling, product development and administrative expenses		41,472		41,968	
Gain on sale of product line		-		(810)	
Operating income		23,424		19,345	
Interest expense		231		273	
Other expense (income), net					