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) <u>January 25, 2018</u>

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-5151

42-0442319

Minnesota

(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)
385 Bell St, Dubuque, Iowa		52001
(Address of principal executive offices	5)	(Zip Code)
Registrant's tele	ephone number, including area code <u>s</u>	<u>563-556-7730</u>
(Former n	ame or former address, if changed since last	report.)
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 25, 2018, Flexsteel Industries, Inc. issued a press release announcing Second Quarter Ended December 31, 2017 Operating Results. A copy of the Press Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 – Press Release by Flexsteel Industries, Inc. on January 25, 2018.

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.

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC. (Registrant)

Date: January 25, 2018

By: /s/ Marcus D. Hamilton

Marcus D. Hamilton

Chief Financial Officer

Principal Financial and Accounting Officer

Flexsteel Reports Second Quarter Results

DUBUQUE, Iowa--(BUSINESS WIRE)--January 25, 2018--Flexsteel Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ:FLXS) today reported second quarter and fiscal year-to-date financial results.

Financial Highlights:

- Net sales were \$129.4 million, up 9.2%, a record quarter;
- Net sales were \$249.2 million for the current six months, an increase of 8.1%; and
- Net income for six months increased \$0.27 per share, including gain on facility sale and tax reform impact.

Net sales for the quarters ended December 31, (in millions):

	2017	2016	\$ Change	% Change
Residential	\$ 110.8	\$ 100.5	\$ 10.3	10.2%
Contract	18.6	18.0	0.6	3.3%
Total	\$ 129.4	\$ 118.5	\$ 10.9	9.2%
Net sales for the six months ended	2017	 2016	 \$ Change	% Change
Residential	\$ 212.6	\$ 194.2	\$ 18.4	9.5%
Contract	 36.6	 36.4	 0.2	0.5%
Total	\$ 249.2	\$ 230.6	\$ 18.6	8.1%

Net sales were \$129.4 million for the quarter compared to net sales of \$118.5 million in the prior year quarter, an increase of 9.2%. Net sales were \$249.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2017, an increase of 8.1%. For both the quarter and the sixmonth period, higher residential net sales are primarily due to increased volume and to a lesser extent new customers. Higher contract net sales are primarily due to increased volume offset by the previously disclosed intentional decrease in sales to certain customers.

Gross margin as a percent of net sales for the quarter ended December 31, 2017 was 21.2%, compared to 22.6% for the prior year quarter. For the six months ended December 31, 2017, gross margin as a percent of net sales was 21.5%, compared to 23.1% for the prior year period. The decrease in gross margin as a percentage of net sales is primarily due to increased labor and raw material costs partially offset by volume leverage on fixed costs. In response to margin pressure, the Company implemented select sales price increases late in the fiscal quarter.

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses were 15.2% of net sales in the current year quarter, compared to 15.5% of net sales in the prior year quarter. For the six months ended December 31, 2017, SG&A expenses decreased to 15.2% compared to 16.1% in the prior year period primarily due to improved fixed cost leverage.

During the current fiscal year, the Company completed a \$6.5 million sale of a facility and recognized a pre-tax gain of \$1.8 million. On an after-tax basis, the gain represents \$1.3 million or \$0.16 per share.

The effective tax rate for the current year quarter was 21.1% compared to 36.7% in the prior year quarter. For the six months ended December 31, 2017, the effective tax rate was 30.2% compared to 37.7% in the prior year period. The current year quarter and fiscal year-to-date rates were positively impacted by the passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (Tax Reform) resulting in a \$0.16 per share increase in net income. Beginning in fiscal year 2019, the Company expects the effective tax rate to be between 25% and 27%.

The above factors resulted in net income of \$6.2 million or \$0.78 per share for the quarter ended December 31, 2017, compared to \$5.3 million or \$0.68 per share in the prior year quarter. For the six months ended December 31, 2017, net income was \$12.4 million or \$1.56 per share compared to \$10.1 million or \$1.29 per share in the prior year period.

Working capital (current assets less current liabilities) at December 31, 2017 was \$163 million compared to \$158 million at June 30, 2017. Changes in working capital include increases of \$11 million in inventory, \$5 million in accounts receivable, \$2 million in investments and \$2 million in accounts payable; and a decrease of \$11 million in cash and cash equivalents. Accounts receivable increased due to increased sales volume. Inventory increased to improve service levels.

For the six months ended December 31, 2017, capital expenditures were \$12.9 million including \$6.8 million invested to upgrade the business information system and \$3.7 million for the construction of a new manufacturing facility.

All earnings per share amounts are on a diluted basis.

Outlook

During the remainder of fiscal year 2018, the Company expects high single digit revenue growth including the previously disclosed intentional decrease in sales to certain contract customers. The Company expects continued inflationary pressure on certain raw materials and moderating labor cost increases. The Company is focused on gross margin expansion through targeted sales price increases, enhanced service levels and driving operational efficiencies.

For the balance of the fiscal year, the Company expects to capitalize \$2 million related to business information system software and development, \$10 million for the construction of a manufacturing facility and \$2 million for operations. The Company believes it has adequate working capital and borrowing capabilities to meet these requirements.

The Company remains committed to its core strategies, which include providing a wide range of quality product offerings and price points to the residential and contract markets, combined with a conservative approach to business. The Company will maintain its focus on a strong balance sheet through emphasis on cash flow and increasing profitability. The Company believes these core strategies are in the best interest of its shareholders.

About Flexsteel

Flexsteel Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries (the "Company") was incorporated in 1929 and is one of the oldest and largest manufacturers, importers and marketers of residential and contract upholstered and wooden furniture products in the United States. Product offerings include a wide variety of upholstered and wood furniture such as sofas, loveseats, chairs, reclining and rocker-reclining chairs, swivel rockers, sofa beds, convertible bedding units, occasional tables, desks, dining tables and chairs and bedroom furniture. The Company's products are intended for use in home, office, hotel, healthcare and other contract applications. A featured component in most of the upholstered furniture is a unique steel drop-in seat spring from which our name "Flexsteel" is derived. The Company distributes its products throughout the United States through the Company's sales force and various independent representatives.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements, including those in this release, which are not historical or current facts, are "forward-looking statements" made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. There are certain important factors that could cause our results to differ materially from those anticipated by some of the statements made herein. Investors are cautioned that all forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty. Some of the factors that could affect results are the cyclical nature of the furniture industry, supply chain disruptions, litigation, the effectiveness of new product introductions and distribution channels, the product mix of sales, pricing pressures, the cost of raw materials and fuel, retention and recruitment of key employees, actions by governments including laws, regulations, taxes and tariffs, the amount of sales generated and the profit margins thereon, competition (both U.S. and foreign), credit exposure with customers, participation in multi-employer pension plans and general economic conditions. For further information regarding these risks and uncertainties, see the "Risk Factors" section in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

For more information, visit our web site at http://www.flexsteel.com.

	Dec	ember 31, 2017	June 30, 2017		
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Investments Trade receivables, net Inventories Other Total current assets	\$	17,579 \$ 19,943 47,451 110,224 7,050 202,247	28,874 17,958 42,362 99,397 6,659 195,250		
NONCURRENT ASSETS: Property, plant, and equipment, net Other assets TOTAL	<u> </u>	75,657 3,551 281,455 \$	70,661 4,134 270,045		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accounts payable – trade Accrued liabilities Total current liabilities	\$	18,427 \$ 20,925 39,352	16,758 20,437 37,195		
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES: Other long-term liabilities Total liabilities		2,308 41,660	2,090 39,285		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		239,795	230,760		
TOTAL	\$	281,455 \$	270,045		

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED) (in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Six Months Ended December 31,			
		2017		2016		2017		2016
NET SALES	\$	129,392	\$	118,530	\$	249,226	\$	230,580
COST OF GOODS SOLD		(101,990)		(91,782)		(195,684)		(177,202)
GROSS MARGIN	_	27,402		26,748		53,542		53,378
SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE		(19,679)		(18,332)		(37,915)		(37,258)
GAIN ON SALE OF FACILITY						1,835		
OPERATING INCOME		7,723		8,416		17,462		16,120
OTHER INCOME		158		103		299		151
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		7,881		8,519		17,761		16,271
INCOME TAX PROVISION		(1,660)		(3,130)		(5,360)		(6,130)
NET INCOME	\$	6,221	\$	5,389	\$	12,401	\$	10,141
AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:								
Basic		7,847		7,779		7,839		7,752
Diluted	<u> </u>	7,937	_	7,906	=	7,931	=	7,865
EARNINGS PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK:								
Basic	\$	0.79	\$	0.69	\$	1.58	\$	1.31
Diluted	\$	0.78	\$	0.68	\$	1.56	\$	1.29

		onths Ended ember 31,
	2017	2016
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 12,401	\$ 10,141
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	, , ,	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
Depreciation	3,633	4,058
Stock-based compensation expense	592	925
Deferred income taxes	720	617
Excess tax benefit from share-based payments		(1,182)
Change in provision for losses on accounts receivable	(75)	(40)
Gain on disposition of capital assets	(1,794)	(143)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(14,177)	(2,257)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,300	12,119
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Net purchases of investments	(2,054)	(99)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	6,152	143
Capital expenditures	(12,902)	(6,005)
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,804)	(5,961)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Dividends paid	(3,290)	(2,941)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	51	770
Shares issued to employees, net of shares withheld	(552)	(1,132)
Excess tax benefit from share-based payments		1,182
Net cash used in financing activities	(3,791)	(2,121)
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(11,295)	4,037
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	28,874	36,780
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 17,579	\$ 40,817

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