## 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

December 10, 2013

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

### **Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Nevada (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-31552 (Commission File Number) 87-0543688 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2100 Roosevelt Avenue
Springfield, Massachusetts
01104
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(800) 331-0852 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Chec	ck 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
rov	isions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
7	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240 13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

We are furnishing this Current Report on Form 8-K in connection with the disclosure of information, in the form of the textual information from a press release released on December 10, 2013.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the exhibit) is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.

We do not have, and expressly disclaim, any obligation to release publicly any updates or any changes in our expectations or any change in events, conditions, or circumstances on which any forward-looking statement is based.

The text included with this Current Report on Form 8-K is available on our website located at *www.smith-wesson.com*, although we reserve the right to discontinue that availability at any time.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Not applicable.

(c) Shell Company Transactions.

Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Exhibits

99.1 Press release from Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation, dated December 10, 2013, entitled "Smith & Wesson

Holding Corporation Reports Second Quarter Fiscal 2014 Financial Results"

#### **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.

Date: December 10, 2013

#### SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jeffrey D. Buchanan

Jeffrey D. Buchanan Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer

	EXHIBIT INDEX							
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#### Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation Reports Second Quarter Fiscal 2014 Financial Results

Ÿ Net Sales Growth of 9.2% Excluding Walther Ÿ Net Income of \$0.28 Per Diluted Share on Net Sales of \$139.3 Million Ÿ Quarterly Gross Margin of 41.6% vs. 35.5% a Year Ago

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., December 10, 2013 — Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation (NASDAQ Global Select: SWHC), a leader in firearm manufacturing and design, today announced financial results for the second fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2013.

#### **Second Quarter Fiscal 2014 Financial Highlights**

- Net sales for the second quarter were \$139.3 million, up 2.0% from the second quarter last year. Excluding last year's sales of \$9.7 million of Walther products pursuant to a distribution agreement that Smith & Wesson ended in April 2013 and was previously announced, net sales grew by 9.2%. Handgun sales, which included sales of the company's popular M&P pistols, grew 27.4%. The second quarter included a reduced number of manufacturing days related to the planned two week annual factory shut down as well as previously announced downtime related to the company's enterprise resource planning (ERP) implementation.
- Gross profit for the second quarter was \$57.9 million, or 41.6% of net sales, compared with gross profit of \$48.5 million, or 35.5% of net sales, for the comparable quarter last year. Gross profit margin improved as a result of favorable product mix, absorption, and manufacturing efficiencies, as well as the absence of Walther product sales.
- Operating expenses for the second quarter were \$29.2 million, or 20.9% of net sales, compared with operating expenses of \$21.8 million, or 16.0% of net sales, for the second quarter last year. Excluding one-time go-live costs related to the company's new ERP system, operating expenses would have been \$25.3 million, or 18.2% of net sales.
- Operating income for the second quarter was 20.7% percent of net sales compared with 19.5% percent for the second quarter last year.

- Income from continuing operations for the second quarter was \$17.1 million, or \$0.28 per diluted share, compared with \$16.4 million, or \$0.24 per diluted share, for the second quarter last year.
- Non-GAAP Adjusted EBITDAS from continuing operations for the second quarter increased to \$36.9 million from \$32.0 million for the second quarter last year.
- Operating cash flow for the second quarter of \$5.0 million and capital spending of \$14.1 million resulted in cash outflow of \$9.1 million.

James Debney, Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Our results for the second quarter of fiscal 2014 reflected the continued successful execution of our growth strategy. By maintaining a strategic focus on increasing market share of our M&P polymer pistol family of products, we delivered handgun revenue growth of over 27% and a significant expansion of our gross margins. For the first six months of this fiscal year, our gross margins were 42.1%. At the same time, we continued to drive a number of initiatives in the quarter designed to strengthen our business and return increased value to our stockholders."

Jeffrey D. Buchanan, Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, stated, "During the second quarter, we continued to optimize our capital structure by successfully completing our \$100 million stock buyback program. In addition, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of an additional \$15 million of our common stock, which will be permitted to commence after the full dissemination of the financial results we are announcing today. We ended the second quarter with a cash balance of \$52.9 million, \$100 million of outstanding senior notes, and no borrowings under our credit facility.

"Our new enterprise resource planning (ERP) system, a key strategic building block that will provide our business with scalability and visibility for growth, 'went live' early in the second quarter. We have moved through the challenging go-live phase of the implementation; the project is proceeding on track; and we have already begun to see daily improvements in the quality of our business functionality," Buchanan concluded.

#### **Financial Outlook**

The company estimates net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2014 to be between \$140.0 million and \$145.0 million and GAAP earnings per diluted share from continuing operations of between \$0.28 and \$0.30. This estimate takes into account \$1.5 million in expected, non-recurring costs related to the ERP conversion. As previously noted, the company ended its Walther distribution agreement at the end of fiscal 2013 and therefore the third quarter of fiscal 2014 will not contain Walther sales, which amounted to \$12.7 million in the comparable quarter a year ago.

The company continues to expect full year fiscal 2014 net sales of between \$610.0 million and \$620.0 million and GAAP earnings per diluted share from continuing operations of between \$1.30 and \$1.35 for fiscal 2014. As previously noted, the company ended its Walther distribution agreement at the end of fiscal 2013 and therefore fiscal 2014 will not contain Walther sales, which amounted to \$41.6 million in fiscal 2013.

All guidance takes into account the expected impact of the implementation of the company's new ERP system throughout fiscal 2014.

#### **Conference Call and Webcast**

The company will host a conference call and webcast today, December 10, 2013, to discuss its second quarter fiscal 2014 financial and operational results. Speakers on the conference call will include James Debney, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Jeffrey D. Buchanan, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. The conference call may include forward-looking statements. The conference call and webcast will begin at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (2:00 p.m. Pacific Time). Those interested in listening to the call via telephone may call directly at (617) 399-5129 and reference conference code 14738357. No RSVP is necessary. The conference call audio webcast can also be accessed live and for replay on the company's website at <a href="https://www.smith-wesson.com">www.smith-wesson.com</a>, under the Investor Relations section. The company will maintain an audio replay of this conference call on its website for a period of time after the call. No other audio replay will be available.

#### Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In this press release, certain non-GAAP financial measures, including "Adjusted EBITDAS" and "free cash flow" are presented. From time to time, the company considers and uses Adjusted EBITDAS and free cash flow as supplemental measures of operating performance in order to provide the reader with an improved understanding of underlying performance trends. Adjusted EBITDAS excludes the effects of interest expense, income taxes, depreciation of tangible fixed assets, amortization of intangible assets, stock-based compensation expense, plant consolidation costs, DOJ and SEC investigation costs, and certain other transactions. See the attached "Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Adjusted EBITDAS" for a detailed explanation of the amounts excluded from and included in net income to arrive at Adjusted EBITDAS for the three month and six month periods ended October 31, 2013 and 2012. Free cash flow is defined as cash flow provided by operating activities less capital expenditures, which include purchases of property, equipment, and software.

Adjusted or non-GAAP financial measures provide investors and the company with supplemental measures of operating performance and trends that facilitate comparisons between periods before, during, and after certain items that would not otherwise be apparent on a GAAP basis. Adjusted financial measures are not, and should not be viewed as, a substitute for GAAP results. The company's definition of these adjusted financial measures may differ from similarly named measures used by others.

#### **About Smith & Wesson**

Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation (NASDAQ Global Select: SWHC) is a U.S.-based leader in firearm manufacturing and design, delivering a broad portfolio of quality firearms, related products, and training to the global military, law enforcement, and consumer markets. The company's brands include Smith & Wesson®, M&P® and Thompson/Center Arms™. Smith & Wesson facilities are located in Massachusetts and Maine. For more information on Smith & Wesson, call (800) 331-0852 or log on to <a href="https://www.smith-wesson.com">www.smith-wesson.com</a>.

#### **Safe Harbor Statement**

Certain statements contained in this press release may be deemed to be forward-looking statements under federal securities laws, and we intend that such forward-looking statements be subject to the safe-harbor created thereby. Such forward-looking statements include the company's belief that its results for the second quarter of fiscal 2014 reflect the continued successful execution of its growth strategy; the company's belief that by maintaining a strategic focus on increasing market share of its M&P polymer pistol family of products, it delivered handgun revenue growth of over 27% and a significant expansion of its gross margins expansion; the company's belief that it continued to drive a number of initiatives in the quarter designed to strengthen its business and return increased value to its stockholders; the company's belief that it continued to optimize its capital structure by successfully completing its \$100 million stock buyback program; the company's expectation that its new ERP system will be a key strategic building block that will provide the company's business with the scalability and visibility required for future growth; the company's belief that it has moved through the challenging go-live phase of the implementation of the new ERP system; the company's belief that the project is proceeding on track; the company's belief that it is already beginning to see daily improvements in the quality of the company's business functionality; the company's expectations for net sales and GAAP earnings per diluted share from continuing operations for the third quarter of fiscal 2014; and the company's expectations for net sales and GAAP earnings per diluted share from continuing operations for fiscal 2014. We caution that these statements are qualified by important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include the demand for our products; the costs and ultimate conclusion of certain legal matters, including the DOJ and SEC matters; the state of the U.S. economy; general economic conditions and consumer spending patterns; the potential for increased regulation of firearms and firearm-related products; speculation surrounding fears of terrorism and crime; our growth opportunities; our anticipated growth; our ability to increase demand for our products in various markets, including consumer, law enforcement, and military channels, domestically and internationally; the position of our hunting products in the consumer discretionary marketplace and distribution channel; our penetration rates in new and existing markets; our strategies; our ability to introduce new products; the success of new products; our ability to expand our markets; the potential for cancellation of orders from our backlog; and other risks detailed from time to time in our reports filed with the SEC, including our Form 10-K Report for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2013.

## SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Unaudited)

		For the Three Months Ended:			For the Six Months Ended:				
	Octo	October 31, 2013		October 31, 2012		October 31, 2013		October 31, 2012	
Net sales	\$	139,294	(In	thousands, exce 136,560	pt per : \$	share data) 310,314	\$	272,555	
Cost of sales	Ф	81,357	Ф	88,092	Ф	179,604	Ф	172,861	
Gross profit	_	57,937		48,468		130,710		99,694	
Operating expenses:	_	07,007		10, 100		150,710		33,031	
Research and development		1,305		1,268		2,664		2,439	
Selling and marketing		7,681		8,077		15,229		14,916	
General and administrative		20,177		12,499		36,029		24,417	
Total operating expenses		29,163		21,844		53,922		41,772	
Operating income from continuing operations		28,774		26,624		76,788		57,922	
Other income/(expense):									
Other income/(expense), net		36		39		41		39	
Interest income		8		335		110		703	
Interest expense		(2,046)		(1,344)		(8,719)		(3,331)	
Total other income/(expense), net		(2,002)		(970)		(8,568)		(2,589)	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		26,772		25,654		68,220		55,333	
Income tax expense		9,627		9,253		24,549		20,061	
Income from continuing operations		17,145		16,401		43,671		35,272	
Discontinued operations:									
Loss from operations of discontinued security solutions division		(222)		(867)		(274)		(2,550)	
Income tax benefit		(64)		(5,651)		(66)		(6,249)	
Income/(loss) from discontinued operations		(158)		4,784		(208)		3,699	
Net income/comprehensive income	\$	16,987	\$	21,185	\$	43,463	\$	38,971	
Net income per share:			-						
Basic - continuing operations	\$	0.29	\$	0.25	\$	0.71	\$	0.54	
Basic - net income	\$	0.28	\$	0.32	\$	0.70	\$	0.59	
Diluted - continuing operations	\$	0.28	\$	0.24	\$	0.69	\$	0.53	
Diluted - net income	\$	0.28	\$	0.31	\$	0.68	\$	0.58	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:			·		-		-		
Basic		59,620		65,871		61,931		65,611	
Diluted		60,984		67,274		63,751		66,914	

# SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

	As of:					
	October 31, 2013 (In thousands, except par v			April 30, 2013 value and share data)		
ASSETS	(1)	. creept pu	und bi			
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash of \$3,345 on April 30, 2013	\$	52,922	\$	100,487		
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,166 on October 31, 2013						
and \$1,128 on April 30, 2013		68,521		46,088		
Inventories		76,261		62,998		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		6,660		4,824		
Deferred income taxes		12,076		12,076		
Income tax receivable		9,192		3,093		
Total current assets		225,632		229,566		
Property, plant, and equipment, net		103,093		86,382		
Intangibles, net		3,631		3,965		
Other assets		10,124		7,076		
	\$	342,480	\$	326,989		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	45,822	\$	31,220		
Accrued expenses		15,660		16,033		
Accrued payroll		11,509		13,096		
Accrued taxes other than income		6,502		5,349		
Accrued profit sharing		5,274		9,587		
Accrued product/municipal liability		1,494		1,551		
Accrued warranty		5,591		5,757		
Current portion of notes payable		788				
Total current liabilities		92,640		82,593		
Deferred income taxes		7,863		7,863		
Notes payable, net of current portion	<u></u>	100,000		43,559		
Other non-current liabilities		10,996		11,675		
Total liabilities	-	211,499		145,690		
Commitments and contingencies						
Stockholders' equity:						
Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued or outstanding		_		_		
Common stock, \$.001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized, 68,244,648 shares						
issued and 55,930,917 shares outstanding on October 31, 2013 and 67,596,716 shares						
issued and 64,297,113 shares outstanding on April 30, 2013		68		68		
Additional paid-in capital		206,187		199,120		
Retained earnings		51,897		8,434		
Accumulated other comprehensive income		73		73		
Treasury stock, at cost (12,313,731 common shares on October 31, 2013 and 3,299,603 common						
shares on April 30, 2013)	_	(127,244)		(26,396)		
Total stockholders' equity		130,981		181,299		
	\$	342,480	\$	326,989		

## SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

	For the Six Months Ended:			
	Octol	oer 31, 2013 (In thou		ber 31, 2012
Cash flows from operating activities:		(111 111)	isanus)	
Net Income	\$	43,463	\$	38,971
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		ĺ		, i
Amortization and depreciation		11,152		8,074
Loss on sale of business including loss on sale of discontinued operations, including \$45 of stock-		, -		-,-
based compensation expense		_		798
Loss on sale/disposition of assets		77		292
Provisions for losses on accounts receivable		33		380
Change in disposal group assets and liabilities		_		(1,232)
Stock-based compensation expense.		4,774		1,906
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		ĺ		ĺ
Accounts receivable		(22,466)		(6,541)
Inventories		(13,263)		(10,039)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(1,836)		(1,213)
Income tax receivable/payable		(6,099)		(9,062)
Accounts payable		14,602		(3,964)
Accrued payroll		(1,587)		(591)
Accrued taxes other than income		1,153		497
Accrued profit sharing		(4,313)		(3,286)
Accrued other expenses		(373)		(1,175)
Accrued product/municipal liability		(57)		(32)
Accrued warranty		(166)		(302)
Other assets		(781)		(39)
Other non-current liabilities		(330)		329
Net cash provided by operating activities		23,983		13,771
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Proceeds from sale of business		_		7,500
Receipts from note receivable		38		36
Payments to acquire patents and software		(81)		(22)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		15		13
Payments to acquire property and equipment		(26,075)		(15,836)
Net cash used in investing activities		(26,103)		(8,309)
Cash flows from financing activities:		(=0,100)		(0,000)
Proceeds from loans and notes payable		101,583		1,753
Cash paid for debt issue costs		(3,770)		
Payments on capital lease obligation		(349)		(300)
Payments on loans and notes payable		(44,354)		(7,405)
Payments to acquire treasury stock		(100,848)		(7,105)
Proceeds from exercise of options to acquire common stock, including employee stock purchase plan		1,689		4,084
Taxes paid related to restricted stock issuance		(791)		
Excess tax benefit of stock-based compensation		1,395		984
Net cash used in financing activities		(45,445)		(884)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(47,565)		4,578
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		100,487		
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	52,922	\$	61,295
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information				
Cash paid for:				
Interest	\$	4,600	\$	3,013
Income taxes		29,157		22,204

## SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDAS (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended October 31, 2013:				oer 31, 2012:	
	GAAP Adjustments Adjusted (In thousa)			GAAP	Adjusted	
Net sales	\$ 139,294	\$ —	\$ 139,294	\$ 136,560	\$ —	\$ 136,560
Cost of sales		,			*	
	81,357	(4,155)(1)	77,202	88,092	(3,483)(1)	84,609
Gross profit	57,937	4,155	62,092	48,468	3,483	51,951
Operating expenses:						
Research and development	1,305	(97)(1)	1,208	1,268	(19)(1)	1,249
Selling and marketing	7,681	(127)(1)	7,554	8,077	(98)(1)	7,979
General and administrative	20,177	(3,653)(2)	16,524	12,499	(1,716)(2)	10,783
Total operating expenses	29,163	(3,877)	25,286	21,844	(1,833)	20,011
Operating income from continuing operations	28,774	8,032	36,806	26,624	5,316	31,940
Other income/(expense):						
Other income/(expense), net	36	_	36	39	_	39
Interest income	8	_	8	335	(291)(5)	44
Interest expense	(2,046)	2,046(3)		(1,344)	1,344(3)	
Total other income/(expense), net	(2,002)	2,046	44	(970)	1,053	83
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	26,772	10,078	36,850	25,654	6,369	32,023
Income tax expense	9,627	(9,627)(4)	_	9,253	(9,253)(4)	_
Income from continuing operations	17,145	19,705	36,850	16,401	15,622	32,023
Discontinued operations:						
Loss from operations of discontinued security						
solutions division	(222)	_	(222)	(867)	222(7)	(645)
Income tax benefit	(64)	64(4)		(5,651)	5,651(4)	
Income/(loss) on discontinued operations	(158)	(64)	(222)	4,784	(5,429)	(645)
Net income/comprehensive income	\$ 16,987	\$ 19,641	\$ 36,628	\$ 21,185	\$ 10,193	\$ 31,378

### SMITH & WESSON HOLDING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDAS (Unaudited)

	For the Six Months Ended October 31, 2013:		For the Six	er 31, 2012:				
	GAAP Adjustments Adjusted			GAAP	Adjusted			
					(In thousands)			
Net sales \$3		\$ —	\$ 310,314	\$272,555	\$ —	\$ 272,555		
Cost of sales	179,604	(8,328)(1)	171,276	172,861	(6,917)(1)	165,944		
Gross profit 1		8,328	139,038	99,694	6,917	106,611		
Operating expenses:					·			
Research and development	2,664	(164)(1)	2,500	2,439	(103)(1)	2,336		
Selling and marketing	15,229	(192)(1)	15,037	14,916	(144)(1)	14,772		
General and administrative	36,029	(6,460)(2)	29,569	24,417	(2,904)(2)	21,513		
Total operating expenses	53,922	(6,816)	47,106	41,772	(3,151)	38,621		
Operating income from continuing	76,788	15,144	91,932	57,922	10,068	67,990		
Other income/(expense):								
Other income/(expense), net	41	_	41	39	_	39		
Interest income	110	_	110	703	(608)(5)	95		
Interest expense	(8,719)	8,719(3)		(3,331)	3,331(3)			
Total other income/(expense), net	(8,568)	8,719	151	(2,589)	2,723	134		
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	68,220	23,863	92,083	55,333	12,791	68,124		
Income tax expense		(24,549)(4)		20,061	(20,061)(4)			
Income from continuing operations	43,671	48,412	92,083	35,272	32,852	68,124		
Discontinued operations:								
Loss from operations of discontinued security solutions division	(274)	_	(274)	(2,550)	1,428(6)	(1,122)		
Income tax benefit	(66)	66(4)		(6,249)	6,249(4)			
Income/(loss) on discontinued	(208)	(66)	(274)	3,699	(4,821)	(1,122)		
Net income/comprehensive income \$		\$ 48,346	\$ 91,809	\$ 38,971	\$ 28,031	\$ 67,002		

- (1) To exclude depreciation, amortization, and stock-based compensation expense.
- (2) To exclude depreciation, amortization, stock-based compensation expense, and DOJ/SEC costs and related profit sharing impacts of DOJ/SEC.
- (3) To exclude interest expense.
- (4) To exclude income tax expense/(benefit).
- (5) To exclude intercompany interest income.
- (6) To exclude loss on sale of discontinued operations, depreciation, amortization, interest expense, and stock-based compensation expense.
- (7) To exclude depreciation, amortization, and stock-based compensation expense.