

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) August 19, 2015

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-09115
(Commission
File Number)

25-0644320
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

Two Northshore Center, Pittsburgh, PA
(Address of principal executive offices)

15212
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (412) 442-8200

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets

On August 19, 2015, Matthews International Corporation ("Matthews"), through its wholly-owned subsidiary, The York Group, Inc. ("York"), completed its previously announced acquisition of Aurora Products Group, LLC ("Aurora"). Pursuant to the terms of the purchase agreement, dated June 8, 2015 with Aurora, the sellers identified therein, and Kohlberg Management VII, L.P., in its capacity as the sellers' representative, the purchase price paid for all the outstanding equity interests of Aurora is \$214.0 million in cash on a debt-free basis subject to a working capital adjustment.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On August 20, 2015, Matthews issued a press release announcing that it completed its acquisition of Aurora. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**(d) Exhibits**

Exhibit No.	Description
2.1	Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 8, 2015, by and among Matthews International Corporation, a Pennsylvania corporation, The York Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, Aurora Products Group, LLC, each of the Persons listed on Annex A thereto, and Kohlberg Management VII, L.P., in its capacity as the Sellers' Representative (filed as Exhibit 2.1 of Matthews International Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 11, 2015 and incorporated herein by reference).
99.1	Press Release dated August 20, 2015.

SIGNATURE

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: August 21, 2015

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Joseph C. Bartolacci
Joseph C. Bartolacci
President and Chief Executive Officer

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Matthews International Announces Completion of Transaction to Acquire Aurora Casket Company

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 20, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Matthews International Corporation (MATW) ("Matthews" or the "Company") completed its transaction to acquire Aurora Casket Company ("Aurora") from Kohlberg & Company on Wednesday, August 19, 2015. Under the terms of the transaction, Matthews purchased Aurora's stock for \$214 million, subject to a working capital adjustment.

Matthews International Corporation

Matthews International Corporation, headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a provider principally of brand solutions, memorialization products and industrial automation solutions. Brand solutions include graphics imaging products and services, and merchandising solutions. Memorialization products consist primarily of bronze and granite memorials and other memorialization products, caskets and cremation equipment for the cemetery and funeral home industries. Industrial automation solutions include marking products and fulfillment systems. The Company's products and services include brand development, deployment and management; printing plates and cylinders; pre-media services and imaging services for consumer packaged goods and retail customers; merchandising display systems and marketing and design services; cast bronze and granite memorials and other memorialization products; caskets; cast and etched architectural products, cremation equipment and cremation-related products; mausoleums; marking and coding equipment and consumables, and industrial automation products and order fulfillment systems for identifying, tracking, picking, and conveying various consumer and industrial products. For more information, visit www.matw.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Any forward-looking statements in connection with this press release are being made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause the Company's actual results in future periods to be materially different from management's expectations. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, no assurance can be given that such expectations will prove correct. Factors that could cause the Company's results to differ from those presented herein include the impact of the transaction on relationships with customers, employees and third parties, the inability to obtain, or delays in obtaining cost savings and synergies from the transaction, as well as other risks that are set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and other periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

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