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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) July 27, 2006

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

Massachusetts

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

400 Wood Road 02184

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 781-848-7100

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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04-2882273

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- 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

On July 27, 2006 Haemonetics Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing financial results for the first quarter ended July 1, 2006. A copy of the release is furnished with this report as exhibit 99.1.

The information in this current report on Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1: Press Release of Haemonetics Corporation dated July 27, 2006 announcing financial results for the first quarter ended July 1, 2006.

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.

> HAEMONETICS CORPORATION -----

(Registrant)

Date: July 27, 2006 /s/ Ronald J. Ryan

Ronald J. Ryan, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 Press Release issued by Haemonetics Corporation on July 27, 2006.

HAEMONETICS REPORTS FIRST QUARTER FISCAL 2007 FINANCIAL RESULTS

COMPANY AFFIRMS ANNUAL PRO FORMA GUIDANCE

BRAINTREE, Mass., July 27 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Haemonetics Corporation (NYSE: HAE) reported today first quarter fiscal year 2007 GAAP net revenue of \$111 million, a 7.3% increase over the first quarter of fiscal year 2006.

Brad Nutter, Haemonetics President and CEO, said, "We are making good progress expanding our business in existing markets. Sales growth was driven by U.S. plasma and OrthoPAT, each growing more than 40% in the quarter, and U.S. red cells which grew 28% in the quarter. Each of these products is off to a strong start.'

Diluted GAAP net earnings per share were \$0.40 for the quarter, down 14.5% over 01:06 earnings of \$0.47. This is the first guarter in which Haemonetics is adopting stock option expensing. Additionally, a restructuring charge impacts comparability between Q1:07 and Q1:06. GAAP earnings reflect share based compensation expense under FAS 123R of \$3 million (pre-tax), or \$0.07 per diluted share, and a restructuring charge of \$1.6 million (pre-tax), or \$0.04 per diluted share, as Haemonetics transforms its international business operations. Therefore, first quarter pro forma diluted net earnings per share adjusted to eliminate the impact of these items were \$0.52, up 10.6%.

Mr. Nutter added, "Our business transformation initiatives are on plan. In the quarter, we expanded our product portfolios with the introduction of three new products, acquired a nano-technology company which strengthens our research competencies, implemented changes for a leaner yet more efficient international organization, and began the first phase of our ERP initiative. We are off to a good start for the year, and, as a result, we are affirming our annual pro forma guidance."

ETNANCTALS

Excluding the charges noted above, Haemonetics reported the following Q1:07 pro forma results versus Q1:06:

- * Revenue of \$111 million, up 7.3%
- * Gross profit of \$57 million, up 5.3% from \$55 million in Q1:06
- * Gross margin of 51.9%, down 90 basis points * Operating expenses of \$38 million, up 4.9% from \$36 million in Q1:06
- * Operating income of \$20 million, up 6.1% from \$18 million in Q1:06
- * Operating margin of 17.7%, down 20 basis points
- Earnings per share of \$0.52, up 10.6% from \$0.47
- * Tax rate of 35% down from 36% in Q1:06

Haemonetics reported the following Q1:07 GAAP results versus Q1:06:

- * Revenue of \$111 million, up 7.3%
- * Gross profit of \$57 million, up 5.2% from \$55 million in Q1:06
- * Gross margin of 51.8%, down 100 basis points
 * Operating expenses of \$42 million, up 17.5% from \$36 million in Q1:06
- * Operating income of \$15.0 million, down 18.7% from \$18 million in Q1:06
- * Operating margin of 13.6%, down 430 basis points
- * Earnings per share of \$0.40, down 14.5% from \$0.47 * Tax rate of 35.6% down from 36% in Q1:06

Haemonetics will post detailed information on the effects of foreign currency on the web at http://www.haemonetics.com/site/content/investor/Non_GAAP.asp.

BALANCE SHEET

Haemonetics' cash and short term investments increased \$9 million in the quarter, for a cash balance of \$260 million. The Company generated \$16.8 million in cash flow from operating activities for the quarter.

PATIENT PRODUCT LINE

The Company reported strong progress in its transition to direct U.S. sales of the OrthoPAT(R). U.S. OrthoPAT brand disposables revenue growth was 41% in the quarter even as many customers worked through inventory acquired from a former distributor. Worldwide OrthoPAT disposables revenue was \$7 million, up 28.9% over Q1:06. In contrast to the market for the Company's Cell Saver systems, the \$625 million orthopedic surgical market addressed by the OrthoPAT system is relatively unpenetrated and growing.

Brian Concannon, President of Haemonetics' Patient Division, said, "I'm pleased with our first quarter OrthoPAT sales growth. We beat our U.S. sales unit plan. In the first quarter, our plan was to sell 9,900 disposable units in the U.S. We exceeded our plan by selling more than 10,500 units. As the sales force matures and inventory is consumed, our targets increase to 12,500 units in Q2, 15,000 units in Q3, and 17,000 units in Q4. So we'll see growing momentum in sales as the year rolls out."

Surgical disposables revenue, principally sales of Cell Saver(R) systems, was \$17 million for the quarter, level with Q1:06. The Cell Saver market continues to shrink because of a shift to less invasive surgeries and the impact of drug eluting stents.

DONOR PRODUCT LINE

For the quarter, plasma disposable sales benefited from growth of 41.0% in the U.S. and 14.0% in Europe as the plasma collection market continues to grow. Haemonetics placed nearly 400 incremental PCS(R)2 devices in the quarter to meet increasing demand for plasma collections. Worldwide plasma disposables revenue was \$32 million for the quarter, up 16.9% from Q1:06.

Blood bank disposables revenue was \$31 million for the quarter, down 4.1% from Q1:06.

Peter Allen, President of the Donor Division, said, "The blood bank revenue decline in the quarter is attributable to lower Japanese platelet disposable revenues. This decline is a result of lower platelet collections and of a rebalancing of platelet disposables market share as a local competitor has resolved its quality issues and returned to the market."

Quarterly red cell revenue was driven by U.S. growth of 28.1% due to unit growth and a favorable shift in product mix. Worldwide red cell disposables revenue was \$11 million for the quarter, up 25.4% over Q1:06.

SIGNIFICANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Haemonetics completed its previously announced acquisition of Arryx, Inc., a privately held nano-technology company. Haemonetics has been collaborating with Arryx since October 2004 in developing next generation blood separation and processing technologies, and the Company previously owned a 19% minority stake in Arryx. Haemonetics acquired the remaining outstanding shares of Arryx for \$26 million in cash. The Arryx technology strengthens and diversifies Haemonetics' research capabilities, providing the Company with a new technology platform for future product development.

The Company also announced it received a Company-record number of 510(k) clearances from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (EQue(TM) automated donor interview and assessment software, a filter bag for use with Haemonetics' surgical products, and AS-5 intravenous solution).

FY07 GUIDANCE

Haemonetics affirmed its pro forma FY07 guidance which will be measured against pro forma FY06 results. Annual FY07 pro forma guidance is:

- * Revenue growth of 10-14%
- * Gross margins in the range of 52%
- * Operating income growing 14-21%
- * Operating margins improving to approximately 18%
- * Earnings per share in the range of \$2.05-\$2.17

For comparison purposes, the FY06 pro forma results exclude the benefit of an arbitration award received in the third quarter which added \$26.4 million to operating income and \$0.62 to earnings per share.

The FY07 guidance is based on anticipated annual pro forma results that exclude three items: 1) the impact from stock compensation expense (FAS 123R), expected to be approximately \$10 million (pre-tax), or \$0.25 per share with costs spread throughout the year; 2) a restructuring charge of \$3-\$4 million (pre-tax), or \$0.07 to \$0.09 per share, with costs spread throughout the year; and 3) up to \$16 million, or \$0.56 per share in one-time acquisition charges, primarily in process R&D charges, resulting from the Arryx acquisition. Therefore, FY07 GAAP earnings per share are expected to be in the range of \$1.15 to \$1.29.

In FY07, the Company expects to generate \$35-\$40 million of operating cash flow, Haemonetics' internal cash flow measurement.

Haemonetics has posted potential income scenarios reflecting the high and low ranges of guidance on its website at http://www.haemonetics.com.

CONFERENCE CALL

Haemonetics will hold a conference call on Thursday, July 27th at 10:00 a.m. eastern. The call will discuss the first quarter results and other business developments including an update on the Arryx acquisition and integration. Interested parties can participate in the conference call by dialing 888-802-8579 (US only) or 973-633-6740 (International) with conference ID 7605624. The call will be replayed through August 11th at 877-519-4471 (US only) or 973-341-3080 (International) using PIN 7605624.

Haemonetics (NYSE: HAE) is a global company engaged in the design, manufacture and worldwide marketing of automated blood processing systems. These systems address important medical markets: surgical blood salvage, blood component collection, plasma collection, and blood component safety. To learn more about Haemonetics' products and markets, visit its web site at http://www.haemonetics.com.

Haemonetics has presented supplemental non-GAAP financial results excluding stock compensation expense and restructuring costs as part of this release. Haemonetics believes that these non-GAAP results are useful to investors because it allows for an evaluation of the Company with a focus on the results of our core business.

This release contains forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including technological advances in the medical field and standards for transfusion medicine and our ability to successfully implement products that incorporate such advances and standards, product demand, market acceptance, regulatory uncertainties, the effect of economic and political conditions, the impact of competitive products and pricing, blood product reimbursement policies and practices, foreign currency exchange rates, changes in customers' ordering patterns, the effect of industry consolidation as seen in the plasma market, the effect of communicable diseases and the effect of uncertainties in markets outside the U.S. (including Europe and Asia) in which we operate and other risks detailed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The foregoing list should not be construed as exhaustive. The forward-looking statements are based on estimates and assumptions made by management of the Company and are believed to be reasonable, though are inherently uncertain and difficult to predict. Actual results and experience could differ materially from the forward-looking statements.

HAEMONETICS CORPORATION FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR THE FIRST QUARTER FYE07 (UNAUDITED DATA IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA) CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	6	07/01/06	Θ	7/02/05	% Inc/(Dec) vs Prior Year
NET REVENUES Gross profit R&D S,G&A	\$	110,674 57,373 5,422 36,908	\$	103,173 54,524 5,541 30,488	7.3% 5.2 (2.1) 21.1
Operating expenses		42,330		36,029	17.5
Operating income Interest expense Interest income Other income/(expense), net		15,043 (425) 2,026 912		18,495 (541) 1,313 864	(18.7) (21.4) 54.3 5.6
Income before taxes		17,556		20,131	(12.8)
Tax expense		6,248		7,247	(13.8)
NET INCOME	\$	11,308	\$	12,884	(12.2)
Net income per common share assuming dilution	\$	0.40	\$	0.47	(14.5)%
Weighted average number of shares Basic Diluted		26,900 27,929		26,280 27,209	
					Inc/(Dec) vs prior year profit
Profit Margins:			-		margin %
Gross profit R&D S,G&A		51.8% 4.9% 33.3%		52.8% 5.4% 29.6%	(1.0)
Operating income Income before taxes Net income		13.6% 15.9% 10.2%		17.9% 19.5% 12.5%	(4.3) (3.6)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME ADJUSTED FOR THE EFFECT OF STOCK BASED COMPENSATION EXPENSE & RESTRUCTURING COSTS

	07/01/06 As Reported		07/01/06 Effect of Stock Based Compensation Expense(1)		07/01/06 Restructur- ing Costs(2)		07/01/06 As Adjusted (3)	
NET REVENUES Gross profit R&D S,G&A	\$	110,674 57,373 5,422 36,908	\$	0 (64) 100 2,863	\$	0 0 0 1,561	\$	110,674 57,437 5,322 32,484
Operating expenses		42,330		2,963		1,561		37,806
Operating income Interest expense Interest income Other income/(expense),		15,043 (425) 2,026		(3,027) 0 0		(1,561) 0 0		19,631 (425) 2,026
net		912		0		0		912
Income before taxes		17,556		(3,027)		(1,561)		22,144
Tax expense		6,248		(956)		(546)		7,750
NET INCOME	\$	11,308	\$	(2,071)	\$	(1,015)	\$	14,394
Net income per common share assuming dilution	\$	0.40	\$	(0.07)	\$	(0.04)	\$	0.52(4)
Weighted average number of shares Basic Diluted		26,900 27,929		26,900 27,929		26,900 27,929		26,900 27,929
Profit Margins:								
Gross profit R&D S,G&A Operating income Income before taxes Net income		51.8% 4.9% 33.3% 13.6% 15.9% 10.2%						51.9% 4.8% 29.4% 17.7% 20.0% 13.0%

	07/01/06 As Adjusted(3)		As		Adjusted % Inc/(Dec) vs Prior Year
NET REVENUES Gross profit R&D S,G&A	\$	110,674 57,437 5,322 32,484	\$	103,173 54,524 5,541 30,488	7.3% 5.3 (4.0) 6.5
Operating expenses		37,806		36,029	4.9
Operating income Interest expense Interest income Other income/(expense), net		19,631 (425) 2,026 912		18,495 (541) 1,313 864	-
Income before taxes		22,144		20,131	10.0
Tax expense		7,750		7,247	6.9
NET INCOME	\$	14,394	\$	12,884	11.7
Net income per common share assuming dilution	\$	0.52(4)	\$	0.47	10.6%
Weighted average number of shares Basic Diluted		26,900 27,929		26,280 27,209	

Profit Margins:			Inc/(Dec) vs prior year profit margin %
Gross profit	51.9%	52.8%	(0.9)
R&D	4.8%	5.4%	, ,
S,G&A	29.4%	29.6%	
Operating income	17.7%	17.9%	(0.2)
Income before taxes	20.0%	19.5%	0.5
Net income	13.0%	12.5%	

- (1) Stock based compensation expense related to the adoption of FAS 123R.
- (2) Restructuring costs primarily include severence and related costs associated with eliminating or reorganizing certain positions in our international business operations.
- (3) "As Adjusted" is comprised of "As Reported" less the "Effect of Stock Based Compensation" and "Restructuring Costs."
- (4) Does not cross-foot due to rounding.

REVENUE ANALYSIS

	First Quarter						
	07/01/06		07/02/05		% Inc/(Dec)		
Revenues by Geography United States International Net Revenues	\$ \$	46,420 64,254 110,674		38,223 64,950 103,173	21.4% (1.1) 7.3		
Disposable Revenues by Product Family							
Donor: Plasma Blood Bank Red Cell	\$	31,919 31,346 10,600 73,865	\$	27,303 32,690 8,455 68,448	16.9% (4.1) 25.4 7.9		
Patient: Surgical Orthopat	\$	17,133 7,206 24,339	\$	17,096 5,589 22,685	0.2 28.9 7.3		
Subtotal	\$	98,204	\$	91,133	7.8		
Equipment Misc & Service Net Revenues	\$ \$	5,608 6,862 110,674	\$ \$	6,111 5,929 103,173	(8.2) 15.7 7.3		

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Period ending					
	07/01/06		0	4/01/06		
Assets						
Cash & cash equivalents Short-term	\$	260,031	\$			
investments Accounts receivable, net Inventories,		0 89,281		0 86,901		
net Other current		55,561		54,571		
assets		28,404		26,265		
Total current assets		433,277		418,404		
Net PP&E Other assets		79,920 55,037		75,266 52,873		
Total assets	\$	568,234	\$	546,543		
Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity						
S/T debt & current maturities	\$	22,226	\$	26,176		
Other current liabilities Total current liabilities		67,356 89,582		61,940 88,116		
Long-term debt		12,835		12,977		
Other long-term liabilities		3,982		3,800		
Stockholders' equity		461,835		441,650		
Total liabilities						

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