UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

	
FORM 8-K	
CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of t Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of report (Date of earliest event reported):	4
KULICKE AND SOFFA INDU	STRIES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in it	ts charter)
Pennsylvania 000-00121 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number)	23-1498399 (I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation)	Identification No.)
23A Serangoon North Avenue 5, #01-01 K&S Corporate Headquarters, Singapore	554369
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area coo	de: (215) 784-6000
N/A (Former Name or Former Address, if Chang	ged Since Last Report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the provisions (<i>see</i> General Instruction A.2. below):	e filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following
☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)	
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☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (1	7 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Ru or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company []	ale 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.	

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 1, 2018, Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release with respect to its financial results for its third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2018. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, and is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.02 as if fully set forth herein.

The information in this report, furnished under "Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition," shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated August 1, 2018

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.

KULICKE AND SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC.

Date: August 1, 2018 By: /s/ LESTER WONG

Name: Lester Wong

Senior Vice President, Interim Chief Financial Officer and General

Title: Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Kulicke & Soffa Finalizes Third Quarter 2018 Results

Delivers Strong Results

Singapore – August 1, 2018 – Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: KLIC) ("Kulicke & Soffa", "K&S" or the "Company"), today announced financial results of its third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2018. The Company reported third quarter net revenue of \$268.8 million, and reported diluted EPS of \$0.86 and a non-GAAP diluted EPS of \$0.89.

During its third fiscal quarter, K&S repurchased \$42.6 million of common stock in open market transactions at an average price of \$23.75 per share. The Company also recorded a quarterly dividend equivalent to \$0.12 per share during its third fiscal quarter.

Quarterly Results - U.S. GAAP

	Fiscal Q3 2018	Change vs. Fiscal Q3 2017 (As Restated)	Change vs. Fiscal Q2 2018
Net Revenue	\$268.8 million	up 10.2%	up 21.2%
Gross Profit	\$127.0 million	up 11.4%	up 27.8%
Gross Margin	47.2%	up 50 bps	up 240 bps
Income from Operations	\$64.5 million	up 310.8%	up 68.0%
Operating Margin	24.0%	up 1760 bps	up 670 bps
Net Income	\$60.3 million	up 73.3%	up 66.1%
Net Margin	22.4%	up 810 bps	up 600 bps
EPS – Diluted	\$0.86	up 79.2%	up 68.6%

Quarterly Results - Non-GAAP

	Fiscal Q3 2018	Change vs. Fiscal Q3 2017 (As Restated)	Change vs. Fiscal Q2 2018
Income from Operations	\$66.4 million	up 21.6%	up 64.0%
Operating Margin	24.7%	up 230 bps	up 650 bps
Net Income	\$62.3 million	down 15.2%	up 63.1%
Net Margin	23.2%	down 690 bps	up 600 bps
EPS - Diluted	\$0.89	down 11.9%	up 64.8%

^{*} A reconciliation of the GAAP and non-GAAP adjusted results is provided in the financial tables included in this release. See also "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Results" section.

Dr. Fusen Chen, Kulicke & Soffa's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Strong June quarter results were due to a sequential increase in sales of high-volume Ball and Wedge bonding tools. Improved margins were due to a relative increase in demand from high-performance Automotive and Semiconductor markets."

Third Quarter Fiscal 2018 Financial Highlights

- Net revenue of \$268.8 million.
- Gross margin of 47.2%.
- Net income of \$60.3 million or \$0.86 per share; Non-GAAP net income of \$62.3 million or \$0.89 per share.
- Cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments were \$620.7 million as of June 30, 2018.

Fourth Quarter Fiscal 2018 Outlook

The Company currently expects net revenue in the fourth fiscal quarter of 2018 ending September 29, 2018 to be approximately \$180 million to \$190 million. The midpoint of this guidance would represent an increase of approximately 10% over fiscal year 2017.

Looking forward, Dr. Fusen Chen commented, "We continue to execute towards further increasing market opportunities, enhancing revenue and delivering profitability. Ongoing progress, evident in recent results, supports our long-term targets. Market relevance of our product portfolio combined with wide range of growing opportunities further increases our long-term confidence."

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Results

In addition to U.S. GAAP results, this press release also contains non-GAAP financial results. The Company's non-GAAP results exclude amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combinations, goodwill impairment, costs associated with restructuring, income tax expense related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 as well as tax benefits or expense associated with the foregoing non-GAAP items. These non-GAAP measures are consistent with the way management analyzes and assesses the Company's operating results. The Company believes these non-GAAP measures enhance investors' understanding of the Company's underlying operational performance, as well as their ability to compare the Company's period-to-period financial results and the Company's overall performance to that of its competitors.

Management uses both U.S. GAAP metrics as well as non-GAAP operating income, operating margin, net income, net margin and net income per diluted share to evaluate the Company's operating and financial results. Non-GAAP financial measures may not provide information that is directly comparable to that provided by other companies in the Company's industry, as other companies in the industry may calculate non-GAAP financial results differently. In addition, there are limitations in using non-GAAP financial measures because the non-GAAP financial measures are not prepared in accordance with GAAP, may be different from non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies and exclude expenses that may have a material impact on the Company's reported financial results. The presentation of non-GAAP items is meant to supplement, but not substitute for, GAAP financial measures or information. The Company believes the presentation of non-GAAP results in combination with GAAP results provides better transparency to the investment community when analyzing business trends, providing meaningful comparisons with prior period performance and enhancing investors' ability to view the Company's results from management's perspective. A reconciliation of each available GAAP to non-GAAP financial measure discussed in this press release is contained in the attached exhibit.

About Kulicke & Soffa

Kulicke & Soffa (NASDAQ: KLIC) is a leading provider of semiconductor packaging and electronic assembly solutions supporting the global automotive, consumer, communications, computing and industrial segments. As a pioneer in the semiconductor space, K&S has provided customers with market leading packaging solutions for decades. In recent years, K&S has expanded its product offerings through strategic acquisitions and organic development, adding advanced packaging, electronics assembly, wedge bonding and a broader range of tools to its core offerings. Combined with its extensive expertise in process technology and focus on development, K&S is well positioned to help customers meet the challenges of packaging and assembling the next-generation of electronic devices (www.kns.com).

Caution Concerning Results and Forward Looking Statements

In addition to historical statements, this press release contains statements relating to future events and our future results. These statements are "forwardlooking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and include, but are not limited to, statements that relate to our future expected dividend payouts and growth opportunities. While these forward-looking statements represent our judgments and future expectations concerning our business, a number of risks, uncertainties and other important factors could cause actual developments and results to differ materially from our expectations. These factors include, but are not limited to: the risk that the Company fails to meet its operational and financial targets in order to adhere to its dividend policy; the risk that customer orders already received may be postponed or canceled, generally without charges; the risk that anticipated customer orders may not materialize; the risk that our suppliers may not be able to meet our demands on a timely basis; the volatility in the demand for semiconductors and our products and services; the risk that identified market opportunities may not grow or developed as we anticipated; volatile global economic conditions, which could result in, among other things, sharply lower demand for products containing semiconductors and for the Company's products, and disruption of capital and credit markets; the risk of failure to successfully manage our operations; the possibility that we may need to impair the carrying value of goodwill and/or intangibles established in connection with one or more of our prior acquisitions; acts of terrorism and violence; risks, such as changes in trade regulations, currency fluctuations, political instability and war, which may be associated with a substantial non-U.S. customer and supplier base and substantial non-U.S. manufacturing operations; the impact of changes in tax law; the risk that the Company will not identify suitable acquisition opportunities or that any acquisitions will not be successful; the risk that the Company fails to timely remediate the material weaknesses identified in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting or that new material weaknesses or significant deficiencies emerge; and the factors listed or discussed in Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. 2017 Annual Report on Form 10-K and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. is under no obligation to (and expressly disclaims any obligation to) update or alter its forwardlooking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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KULICKE & SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In thousands, except per share and employee data)

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended					Nine months ended				
		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017 As Restated		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017 As Restated		
Net revenue	\$	268,834	\$	243,897	\$	704,297	\$	593,149		
Cost of sales		141,865		129,894		380,679		318,456		
Gross profit		126,969		114,003		323,618		274,693		
Operating expenses:										
Selling, general and administrative		30,609		33,453		85,484		88,900		
Research and development		29,974		25,980		88,881		72,505		
Impairment charges		_		35,207		_		35,207		
Amortization of intangible assets		1,962		1,521		5,927		4,565		
Restructuring		(39)		2,170		1,268		2,282		
Total operating expenses		62,506		98,331		181,560		203,459		
Income from operations		64,463		15,672		142,058		71,234		
Other income (expense):										
Interest income		3,459		1,751		8,420		4,502		
Interest expense		(263)		(264)		(799)		(787)		
Income before income taxes		67,659		17,159		149,679		74,949		
Income tax expense/(benefit)		7,282		(17,657)		122,494		(9,933)		
Share of results of equity-method investee, net of tax		121		7		144		7		
Net income	\$	60,256	\$	34,809	\$	27,041	\$	84,875		
Net income per share:										
Basic	\$	0.87	\$	0.49	\$	0.39	\$	1.20		
Diluted	\$	0.86	\$	0.48	\$	0.38	\$	1.18		
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.12	\$	_	\$	0.12	\$	_		
Weighted average shares outstanding:										
Basic		69,125		71,063		70,019		70,960		
Diluted		70,302		72,483		71,113		72,169		
		Three mo	onths	ended		Nine mor	nths	ths ended		
Supplemental financial data:		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017		
Depreciation and amortization	\$	4,951	\$	3,963	\$	14,163	\$	11,739		
Capital expenditures		4,071		3,803		16,481		21,909		
Equity-based compensation expense:										
Cost of sales		126		97		384		344		
Selling, general and administrative		2,111		2,179		5,877		7,363		
Research and development		656		514		1,963		1,763		
Total equity-based compensation expense	\$	2,893	\$	2,790	\$	8,224	\$	9,470		
					As of					
					Jun	e 30, 2018		July 1, 2017		
Backlog of orders ¹				\$		146,578 \$		198,592		
Number of employees						3,109		3,299		

^{1.} Represents customer purchase commitments. While the Company believes these orders are firm, they are generally cancellable by customers without penalty.

KULICKE & SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	As of				
	Jui	ne 30, 2018	Septe	ember 30, 2017	
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	362,686	\$	392,410	
Restricted cash		514		530	
Short-term investments		258,000		216,000	
Accounts and other receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$675 and \$79 respectively		256,694		198,480	
Inventories, net		123,293		122,023	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		21,255		23,939	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,022,442		953,382	
Property, plant and equipment, net		76,064		67,762	
Goodwill		56,649		56,318	
Intangible assets, net		55,131		62,316	
Deferred income taxes		11,781		27,771	
Equity investments		1,358		1,502	
Other assets		2,500		2,056	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,225,925	\$	1,171,107	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER	CI EQUITY				
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Accounts payable	\$	78,777	\$	51,354	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		106,193		124,847	
Income taxes payable		18,608		16,780	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		203,578		192,981	
Financing obligation		15,437		16,074	
Deferred income taxes		27,316		27,152	
Income taxes payable		88,571		6,438	
Other liabilities		8,941		8,432	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		343,843		251,077	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Common stock, no par value		516,208		506,515	
Treasury stock, at cost		(224,938)		(157,604	
Retained earnings		591,951		569,080	
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) / income		(1,139)		2,039	
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	882,082	\$	920,030	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	1,225,925	\$	1,171,107	
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KULICKE & SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended					Nine months ended			
		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	36,770	\$	25,188	\$	93,843	\$	68,166	
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities, continuing operations		25,929		24,387		(57,527)		(8,012)	
Net cash used in financing activities, continuing operations		(41,564)		(162)		(65,805)		(805)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		1,379		(687)		(251)		673	
Changes in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		22,514		48,726		(29,740)		60,022	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period*		340,686		435,203		392,940		423,907	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	363,200	\$	483,929	\$	363,200	\$	483,929	
Short-term investments		258,000		110,000		258,000		110,000	
Total cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and short- term investments	\$	621,200	\$	593,929	\$	621,200	\$	593,929	
*Certain time deposits as at October 1, 2016 have been corrected from cash equivalents to short-term investments for comparative purposes.									

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Income from Operating to Non-GAAP Income from Operation and Operating Margin (in thousands, except percentages) (unaudited)

	Three months ended						
		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017 As Restated		March 31, 2018	
Net revenue	\$	268,834	\$	243,897	\$	221,772	
U.S. GAAP Income from operations		64,463		15,672		38,436	
U.S. GAAP operating margin		24.0%		6.4%		17.3%	
Pre-tax non-GAAP items:							
Amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combination-selling, general and administrative		1,962		1,521		2,022	
Restructuring		(39)		2,170		(7)	
Impairment charges		_		35,207		_	
Non-GAAP Income from operations	\$	66,386	\$	54,570	\$	40,451	
Non-GAAP operating margin		24.7%		22.4%		18.2%	

Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income and U.S. GAAP net income per share to Non-GAAP net income per share (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

	Three months ended						
		June 30, 2018		July 1, 2017 As Restated		March 31, 2018	
Net revenue	\$	268,834	\$	243,897	\$	221,772	
U.S. GAAP net income		60,256		34,809		36,313	
U.S. GAAP net margin		22.4%		14.3%		16.4%	
Pre-tax non-GAAP adjustments:							
Amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combination-selling, general and administrative		1,962		1,521		2,022	
Restructuring		(39)		2,170		(7)	
Impairment charges		_		35,207		_	
Net income tax expense/(benefit) on non-GAAP items		78		(241)		(111)	
Total non-GAAP adjustments		2,001		38,657		1,904	
Non-GAAP net income		62,257		73,466		38,217	
Non-GAAP net margin		23.2%		30.1%		17.2%	
U.S. GAAP net income per share:							
Basic		0.87		0.49		0.52	
Diluted		0.86		0.48		0.51	
Non-GAAP adjustments per share:							
Basic		0.03		0.54		0.03	
Diluted		0.03		0.53		0.03	
Non-GAAP net income per share:							
Basic	\$	0.90	\$	1.03	\$	0.54	
Diluted	\$	0.89	\$	1.01	\$	0.54	