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): May 2, 2019

KULICKE AND SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-00121 (Commission File Number) 23-1498399 (I.R.S. Employer 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 code: (215) 784-6000 N/A
(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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company []

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. []

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered		
Common Stock, Without Par Value	KLIC	The Nasdaq Global Market		

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 2, 2019, Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release with respect to its financial results for its second fiscal quarter ended March 30, 2019. 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 May 2, 2019

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: May 2, 2019 By: /s/ LESTER WONG

Name: Lester Wong

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and General

Title: Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Press Release dated May 2, 2019</u>



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Kulicke & Soffa Reports Second Quarter 2019 Results

Singapore – May 2, 2019 – Kulicke and Soffa Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: KLIC) ("Kulicke & Soffa", "K&S" or the "Company"), today announced financial results of its second fiscal quarter ended March 30, 2019. The Company reported second quarter net revenue of \$115.9 million, net loss of \$3.6 million and non-GAAP net income of \$0.2 million.

During its second fiscal quarter, K&S repurchased \$26.9 million of common stock in open market transactions at an average price of \$21.98 per share. The Company also recorded a quarterly dividend equivalent to \$0.12 per share during its second fiscal quarter.

Quarterly Results - U.S. GAAP

	Fiscal Q2 2019	Change vs. Fiscal Q2 2018	Change vs. Fiscal Q1 2019
Net Revenue	\$115.9 million	down 47.7%	down 26.3%
Gross Profit	\$55.6 million	down 44.1%	down 25.7%
Gross Margin	47.9%	up 310 bps	up 30 bps
Loss from Operations	\$(2.5) million	down 106.5%	down 117.1%
Operating Margin	(2.1)%	down 1940 bps	down 1140 bps
Net Loss	\$(3.6) million	down 109.9%	down 148.0%
Net Margin	(3.1)%	down 1950 bps	down 790 bps
EPS – Diluted(a)	\$(0.05)	down 109.8%	down 145.5%

⁽a) GAAP diluted net earnings per share reflects any dilutive effect of outstanding restricted stock units and stock options, but that effect is excluded when calculating GAAP diluted net (loss) per share because it would be anti-dilutive. For the three months ended March 30, 2019, 0.8 million shares of restricted stock units and stock options were excluded due to the Company's net loss.

Quarterly Results - Non-GAAP

	Fiscal Q2 2019	Change vs. Fiscal Q2 2018	Change vs. Fiscal Q1 2019
Loss from Operations	\$(1.2) million	down 103.0%	down 107.3%
Operating Margin	(1.1)%	down 1930 bps	down 1160 bps
Net Income	\$0.2 million	down 99.5%	down 98.8%
Net Margin	0.2%	down 1700 bps	down 1060 bps
EPS - Diluted	\$—	down 100.0%	down 100.0%

^{*} 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, "We continue to be extremely focused on cost control while we prioritize ongoing business development, drive fundamental business optimization, and also continue to deliver value through our ongoing repurchase and dividend programs."

During the March quarter the Company incurred a \$4.7 million tax expense primarily related to an adjustment to the one-time transition tax associated with the Tax Cuts and Reform Act of 2017, specifically due to new guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Treasury in February 2019.

Second Quarter Fiscal 2019 Financial Highlights

- Net revenue of \$115.9 million.
- Gross margin of 47.9%.
- Net loss of \$(3.6) million or \$(0.05) per share; non-GAAP net income of \$0.2 million.
- Cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments were \$626.9 million as of March 30, 2019.

Third Quarter Fiscal 2019 Outlook

The Company currently expects net revenue in the third fiscal quarter of 2019 ending June 29, 2019 to be approximately \$120 million to \$140 million, representing a 12% sequential improvement.

Looking forward, Dr. Fusen Chen commented, "Improving field utilization rates and also customer sentiment supports our view that the current demand environment is only a short-term headwind. Our core businesses continue to be very aligned with major market trends such as IoT, 5G and advanced packaging. New opportunities in emerging LED technology and our ongoing efforts to enhance recurring revenue and profitability across our broad portfolio provides additional optimism."

Earnings Conference Call Details

A conference call to discuss these results will be held today, May 2, 2019, beginning at 6:00pm EDT. To access the conference call, interested parties may call +1-877-407-8037 or internationally +1-201-689-8037. A live webcast will also be available at investor.kns.com.

A replay will be available from approximately one hour after the completion of the call through May 16th by calling toll-free +1-877-660-6853 or internationally +1-201-612-7415 and using the replay ID number of 13689604. A webcast replay will also be available at investor.kns.com.

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. 2018 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				Six months ended				
	Mar	rch 30, 2019		March 31, 2018		March 30, 2019	M	arch 31, 2018	
Net revenue	\$	115,908	\$	221,772	\$	273,116	\$	435,463	
Cost of sales		60,335		122,325		142,744		238,814	
Gross profit		55,573		99,447		130,372		196,649	
Operating expenses:									
Selling, general and administrative		27,235		30,339		55,768		54,875	
Research and development		29,577		28,657		59,380		58,907	
Amortization of intangible assets		1,869		2,022		3,746		3,965	
Restructuring		(643)		(7)		(612)		1,307	
Total operating expenses		58,038		61,011		118,282		119,054	
(Loss)/income from operations		(2,465)		38,436		12,090		77,595	
Other income (expense):									
Interest income		3,865		2,986		7,691		4,961	
Interest expense		(254)		(270)		(505)		(536)	
Income before income taxes		1,146	_	41,152		19,276		82,020	
Income tax expense		4,672		4,800		15,242		115,212	
Share of results of equity-method investee, net of tax		29		39		72		23	
Net (loss)/income	\$	(3,555)	\$	36,313	\$	3,962	\$	(33,215)	
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Net (loss)/income per share:	Φ.	(0.05)	Φ.	0.50	Φ.	0.06	Φ.	(0.45)	
Basic	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.52	\$	0.06	\$	(0.47)	
Diluted	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.51	\$	0.06	\$	(0.47)	
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.12	\$		\$	0.24	\$		
Weighted average shares outstanding:									
Basic		65,930		70,361		66,530		70,467	
Diluted		65,930		71,425		67,344		70,467	
		Three mor	ended	Six months ended					
Supplemental financial data:		ch 30, 2019		March 31, 2018	_	March 30, 2019		arch 31, 2018	
Depreciation and amortization	\$	5,237	\$	4,744	\$	10,006	\$	9,212	
Capital expenditures		2,234		6,153		7,176		12,410	
Equity-based compensation expense:									
Cost of sales		160		126		310		258	
Selling, general and administrative		2,330		1,443		5,255		3,766	
Research and development		811		653		1,609		1,307	
Total equity-based compensation expense	\$	3,301	\$	2,222	\$	7,174	\$	5,331	
						As of			
				Ма	rch :	30, 2019	Marc	ch 31, 2018	

Backlog of orders 1 \$ 89,439 \$ 177,754

Number of employees 2,747 3,276

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^{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				
	M	arch 30, 2019	Sej	ptember 29, 2018	
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	418,872	\$	320,630	
Restricted cash		465		518	
Short-term investments		208,000		293,000	
Accounts and other receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$0 and \$385, respectively		138,844		243,373	
Inventories, net		102,549		115,191	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		13,638		14,561	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		882,368		987,273	
Property, plant and equipment, net		76,343		76,067	
Goodwill		56,050		56,550	
Intangible assets, net		47,421		52,871	
Deferred income taxes		9,232		9,017	
Equity investments		6,301		1,373	
Other assets		2,430		2,589	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,080,145	\$	1,185,740	
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Short term debt	\$	10,004	\$		
Accounts payable	<u> </u>	33,378	Ψ	48,527	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		64,813		105,978	
Income taxes payable		14,553		19,571	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		122,748		174,076	
		14.002		15.105	
Financing obligation		14,893		15,187	
Deferred income taxes		25,263		25,591	
Income taxes payable		84,627		81,491	
Other liabilities		9,400		9,188	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		256,931		305,533	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Common stock, no par value		526,419		519,244	
Treasury stock, at cost		(301,071)		(248,664	
Retained earnings		601,913		613,529	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(4,047)		(3,902	
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	823,214	\$	880,207	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	1,080,145	\$	1,185,740	
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KULICKE & SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three	months ended	Six mo	onths ended
	March 30, 2019	March 31, 2018	March 30, 2019	March 31, 2018
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 27,3	\$ 6,740	\$ 83,335	\$ 57,073
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities, continuing operations	138,9	62 (35,273	3) 73,689	(83,456)
Net cash used in financing activities, continuing operations	(25,1	76) (20,850	(59,092) (24,241)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	2	75 (1,120	257	(1,630)
Changes in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	141,3	95 (50,503	98,189	(52,254)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	277,9	42 391,189	321,148	392,940
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 419,3	\$ 340,686	\$ 419,337	\$ 340,686
				
Short-term investments	208,0	00 288,000	208,000	288,000
Total cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and short-term investments	\$ 627,3	\$ 628,686	5 \$ 627,337	\$ 628,686

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							
		March 30, 2019		March 31, 2018		December 29, 2018		
Net revenue	\$	115,908	\$	221,772	\$	157,208		
U.S. GAAP (loss)/income from operations		(2,465)		38,436		14,555		
U.S. GAAP operating margin		(2.1)%		17.3%		9.3%		
Pre-tax non-GAAP items:								
Amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combination-selling, general and administrative		1,869		2,022		1,877		
Restructuring		(643)		(7)		31		
Non-GAAP (loss)/income from operations	\$	(1,239)	\$	40,451	\$	16,463		
Non-GAAP operating margin		(1.1)%		18.2%		10.5%		

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					
		March 30, 2019		March 31, 2018		December 29, 2018
Net revenue	\$	115,908	\$	221,772	\$	157,208
U.S. GAAP net (loss)/income		(3,555)		36,313		7,517
U.S. GAAP net margin		(3.1)%		16.4%		4.8%
Non-GAAP adjustments:						
Amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combination-selling, general and administrative		1,869		2,022		1,877
Restructuring		(643)		(7)		31
Income tax expense- Tax Reform		2,499		_		7,712
Net income tax expense/(benefit) on non-GAAP items		28		(111)		(141)
Total non-GAAP adjustments		3,753		1,904		9,479
Non-GAAP net income		198		38,217		16,996
Non-GAAP net margin		0.2 %		17.2%		10.8%
U.S. GAAP net (loss)/income per share:						
Basic		(0.05)		0.52		0.11
Diluted ^(a)		(0.05)		0.51		0.11
Non-GAAP adjustments per share:(b)						
Basic		0.05		0.03		0.14
Diluted		0.05		0.03		0.14
Non-GAAP net income per share:						
Basic	\$	_	\$	0.54	\$	0.25
Diluted ^(c)	\$	_	\$	0.54	\$	0.25

⁽a) GAAP diluted net earnings per share reflects any dilutive effect of outstanding restricted stock units and stock options, but that effect is excluded when calculating GAAP diluted net (loss) per share because it would be anti-dilutive. For the three months ended March 30, 2019, 0.8 million shares of restricted stock units and stock options were excluded due to the Company's net loss.

⁽b) Non-GAAP adjustments per share includes amortization related to intangible assets acquired through business combinations, 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.

⁽c) Non-GAAP diluted net earnings per share reflects any dilutive effect of outstanding restricted stock units and stock options.