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): February 9, 2017



NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-2960 72-1123385
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

9320 Lakeside Blvd., Suite 100
The Woodlands, TX 77381
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 362-6800

(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:

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- p Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 9, 2017, Newpark Resources, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing financial information for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2016. The press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and the information in the exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (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, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as 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 issued by Newpark Resources, Inc. on February 9, 2017.

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.

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

Dated: February 9, 2017 By: /s/ Gregg S. Piontek

Gregg S. Piontek Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

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NEWS RELEASE

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NEWPARK RESOURCES REPORTS FOURTH QUARTER 2016 RESULTS

Revenues increase 31% sequentially

THE WOODLANDS, TX – February 9, 2017 – Newpark Resources, Inc. (NYSE: NR) today announced results for its fourth quarter ended December 31, 2016. Total revenues for the fourth quarter of 2016 were \$137.1 million compared to \$104.6 million in the third quarter of 2016 and \$150.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2015. Net loss for the fourth quarter of 2016 was \$0.1 million, break-even on a per share basis, compared to a net loss of \$13.5 million, or \$0.16 per share, in the third quarter of 2016, and a net loss of \$83.1 million, or \$1.00 per share, in the fourth quarter of 2015. Fourth quarter 2016 results included the impact of the following:

- \$9.3 million benefit to the provision for income taxes, reflecting the tax benefit associated with restructuring the investment in our Brazilian subsidiary.
- \$2.6 million of pre-tax charges (\$2.6 million after-tax) associated with the impairment of inventory in the Asia Pacific region in the Fluids Systems segment, primarily resulting from the ongoing weakness and outlook for drilling activity in Australia.
- \$2.0 million of pre-tax charges (\$2.0 million after-tax) associated with redeployment costs and asset impairments resulting from the exit of our Fluids Systems operations in Uruguay.

The combined impact of the above items resulted in a \$4.7 million reduction in the net loss (\$0.06 per share) for the fourth quarter 2016.

Paul Howes, Newpark's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Building on the improvements that began in the third quarter, we've seen the momentum continue through the fourth quarter, particularly in North America, where revenues have steadily strengthened over the past six months. Capitalizing on our strong market share position, our North American fluids revenues increased 49% sequentially, significantly outperforming the overall market. Despite our very strong top line result, the impact of revenue growth on operating income was somewhat muted by a softer sales mix, along with the timing of certain operating expenses. Internationally, fluids revenues increased 6% sequentially, driven by improvements in our EMEA region. As they have throughout 2016, the key NOC contracts in Algeria and Kuwait have been a stabilizing force in a very difficult market.

"Our mats segment also posted a strong sequential revenue gain with a 65% increase from the third quarter, marking the segment's strongest revenue quarter in nearly two years. Segment revenues were \$26 million in the fourth quarter, benefiting from \$10 million of mat sales. The incremental margins on the sequential revenue gains were lower than our typical range, largely reflecting an elevated level of pass-through service revenues associated with new rental contracts in the Northeast.

"Meanwhile, we also strengthened our liquidity position in the quarter by issuing \$100 million of convertible bonds due in 2021, and using the proceeds to retire nearly half of our outstanding bonds due in October 2017," added Howes. "Following this refinancing, we ended the year with a cash balance of \$88 million and \$83 million of remaining debt maturing in October 2017, while our revolving credit facility remains undrawn. Our available liquidity positions us well to capitalize on the continued market recovery."

Segment Results

The Fluids Systems segment generated revenues of \$111.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2016 compared to \$89.1 million in the third quarter of 2016 and \$130.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2015. Segment operating loss was \$7.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2016, compared to a \$9.0 million loss in the third quarter of 2016 and an \$83.6 million loss in the fourth quarter of 2015. Segment results for the fourth quarter of 2016 included \$4.6 million of charges in Australia and Uruguay, as described above.

The Mats and Integrated Services segment generated revenues of \$25.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2016 compared to \$15.5 million in the third quarter of 2016 and \$20.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2015. Segment operating income was \$6.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2016, compared to operating income of \$0.9 million in the third quarter of 2016, and \$2.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2015. Segment operating income in 2016 is benefiting from a reduction in depreciation expense associated with our mat rental fleet, reflecting increases in estimated useful lives and residual values. These changes, which were effective in January 2016, reduced depreciation expense by \$1.5 million in both the fourth quarter and third quarter of 2016.

CONFERENCE CALL

Newpark has scheduled a conference call to discuss fourth quarter 2016 results, which will be broadcast live over the Internet, on Friday, February 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time / 9:00 a.m. Central Time. To participate in the call, dial 412-902-0030 and ask for the Newpark conference call at least 10 minutes prior to the start time, or access it live over the Internet at www.newpark.com. For those who cannot listen to the live call, a replay will be available through February 24, 2017 and may be accessed by dialing 201-612-7415 and using pass code 13652845#. Also, an archive of the webcast will be available shortly after the call at www.newpark.com for 90 days.

Newpark Resources, Inc. is a worldwide provider of value-added drilling fluids systems and composite matting systems used in oilfield and other commercial markets. For more information, visit our website at www.newpark.com.

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act that are based on management's current expectations, estimates and projections. All statements that address expectations or projections about the future, including Newpark's strategy for growth, product development, market position, expected expenditures and future financial results are forward-looking statements. Some of the forward-looking statements may be identified by words like "expects," "anticipates," "plans," "intends," "projects," "indicates," and similar expressions. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Many factors, including those discussed more fully elsewhere in this release and in documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Newpark, particularly its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016, as well as others, could cause results to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these statements. These risk factors include, but are not limited to, risks related to the worldwide oil and natural gas industry, Newpark's customer concentration and reliance on the U.S. exploration and production market, the cost and continued availability of borrowed funds including noncompliance with debt covenants, risks related to Newpark's international operations, operating hazards present in the oil and natural gas industry, Newpark's ability to execute its business strategy and make successful business acquisitions and capital investments, the availability of raw materials and skilled personnel, Newpark's market competition, compliance with legal and regulatory matters, including environmental regulations, the availability of insurance and the risks and limitations of Newpark's insurance coverage, potential impairments of long-lived intangible assets, technological developments in Newpark's industry, cybersecurity breaches or business system disruptions, risks related to severe weather, particularly in the U.S. Gulf Coast and risks related to the fluctuations in the market value of Newpark's common stock. Newpark's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission can be obtained at no charge at www.sec.gov, as well as through its website at www.newpark.com.

Newpark Resources, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)		Three Months Ended					Twelve months ended			
		December 31, 2016		September 30, 2016		December 31, 2015		December 31, 2016		December 31, 2015
Revenues	\$	137,083	\$	104,554	\$	150,587	\$	471,496	\$	676,865
Cost of revenues		124,167		99,293		141,941		437,836		599,013
Selling, general and administrative expenses		21,810		21,736		25,232		88,473		101,032
Other operating income, net		(516)		(1,420)		(649)		(4,345)		(2,426)
Impairments and other charges		(180)		_		78,345		6,745		78,345
Operating loss		(8,198)		(15,055)		(94,282)		(57,213)		(99,099)
Foreign currency exchange (gain) loss		(270)		761		(374)		(710)		4,016
Interest expense, net		2,636		2,127		2,503		9,866		9,111
Gain on extinguishment of debt		279		_				(1,615)		_
Loss from operations before income taxes		(10,843)		(17,943)		(96,411)		(64,754)		(112,226)
Benefit for income taxes		(10,786)		(4,492)		(13,315)		(24,042)		(21,398)
Net loss	\$	(57)	\$	(13,451)	\$	(83,096)	\$	(40,712)	\$	(90,828)
Calculation of EPS:										
Net loss - basic	\$	(57)	\$	(13,451)	\$	(83,096)	\$	(40,712)	\$	(90,828)
Assumed conversions of Convertible Notes due 2017		_		_		_		_		_
Adjusted net loss - diluted	\$	(57)	\$	(13,451)	\$	(83,096)	\$	(40,712)	\$	(90,828)
Basic - weighted average common shares outstanding Dilutive effect of stock options, restricted stock and convertible notes		84,066		83,998 —		83,072 —		83,697 —		82,722 —
Diluted - weighted average common shares outstanding		84,066		83,998		83,072		83,697		82,722
Loss per common share - basic	\$	_	\$	(0.16)	\$	(1.00)	\$	(0.49)	\$	(1.10)
Loss per common share - diluted	\$	_	\$	(0.16)	\$	(1.00)	\$	(0.49)	\$	(1.10)

Note: For all periods presented, we excluded all potentially dilutive stock options, restricted stock and assumed conversion of convertible notes in calculating diluted earnings per share as the effect was anti-dilutive due to the net losses incurred for these periods.

	Three Months Ended					
(In thousands)	Do	December 31, 2016		ptember 30, 2016	December 31, 2015	
Revenues						
Fluids systems	\$	111,560	\$	89,097	\$	130,125
Mats and integrated services		25,523		15,457		20,462
Total revenues	\$	137,083	\$	104,554	\$	150,587
Operating income (loss)						
Fluids systems (1)	\$	(7,505)	\$	(8,995)	\$	(83,599)
Mats and integrated services (2)		6,134		882		2,875
Corporate office (3)		(6,827)		(6,942)		(13,558)
Operating loss	\$	(8,198)	\$	(15,055)	\$	(94,282)
Segment operating margin						
Fluids systems		(6.7%)		(10.1%)		(64.2%)
Mats and integrated services		24.0%		5.7%		14.1%

- 1) Fourth quarter 2016 results include \$4.6 million of charges for asset impairments and Uruguay exit costs. Third quarter 2016 results include \$2.6 million of charges related to Uruguay exit costs. Fourth quarter 2015 results include a \$75.5 million charge associated with goodwill and other asset impairments and a \$1.9 million charge associated with workforce reductions.
- 2) Third quarter 2016 results include a \$0.7 million charge to recondition certain mats. Fourth quarter 2015 results include a \$0.3 million charge associated with workforce reductions.
- Fourth quarter 2016 results include a \$0.7 million gain associated with the change in the final settlement amount of the wage and hour litigation claims. Fourth quarter 2015 results include a \$5.8 million charge associated with workforce reductions and a provision for the then pending wage and hour litigation, including related expenses.

n thousands, except share data)		December 31, 2016		December 31, 2015	
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	87,878	\$	107,138	
Receivables, net		214,307		206,364	
Inventories		143,612		163,657	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		17,143		29,219	
Total current assets		462,940		506,378	
Property, plant and equipment, net		303,654		307,632	
Goodwill		19,995		19,009	
Other intangible assets, net		6,067		11,051	
Deferred tax assets		1,747		1,821	
Other assets		3,780		3,002	
Total assets	\$	798,183	\$	848,893	
IABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current debt	\$	83,368	\$	7,382	
Accounts payable		65,281		72,211	
Accrued liabilities		31,152		45,835	
Total current liabilities		179,801		125,428	
Long-term debt, less current portion		72,900		171,211	
Deferred tax liabilities		38,743		26,368	
Other noncurrent liabilities		6,196		5,627	
Total liabilities		297,640		328,634	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized and 99,843,094 and 99,377,391 shares issued, respectively		998		994	
Paid-in capital		558,966		533,746	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(63,208)		(58,276)	
Retained earnings		129,873		171,788	
Treasury stock, at cost; 15,162,050 and 15,302,345 shares, respectively		(126,086)		(127,993	
Total stockholders' equity	-	500,543	-	520,259	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	798,183	\$	848,893	
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	Twelve months ended December 31,				
(In thousands)	2016		2015		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net loss	\$ (40,	,712) \$	(90,828)		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operations:					
Impairments and other non-cash charges	12,	,523	75,508		
Depreciation and amortization	37,	,955	43,917		
Stock-based compensation expense	12,	,056	14,202		
Provision for deferred income taxes	3,	,352	(503)		
Net provision for doubtful accounts	2,	,416	1,886		
Gain on sale of assets	(2,	,820)	(1,364)		
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(1,	,615)	_		
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation		_	(204)		
Change in assets and liabilities:					
(Increase) decrease in receivables	(1,	,699)	122,399		
Decrease in inventories	16,	,044	21,309		
Decrease in other assets	2,	,639	1,191		
Decrease in accounts payable	(5,	,213)	(31,974)		
Decrease in accrued liabilities and other	(23,	,831)	(34,022)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,	,095	121,517		
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Capital expenditures	(38,	,440)	(69,404)		
Decrease (increase) in restricted cash	10,	,060	(17,485)		
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	4,	,540	2,523		
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(4,	,420)			
Net cash used in investing activities	(28,	,260)	(84,366)		
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Borrowings on lines of credit	6,	,437	11,036		
Payments on lines of credit	(14,	,269)	(12,544)		
Proceeds from Convertible Notes due 2021	100,	,000	_		
Purchase of Convertible Notes due 2017	(87,	,271)			
Debt issuance costs		,403)	(2,023)		
Other financing activities		357	(1,673)		
Proceeds from employee stock plans		725	553		
Purchases of treasury stock	(1,	,226)	(2,283)		
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation		_	204		
Net cash used in financing activities	((650)	(6,730)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(1,	,445)	(8,335)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	/10	,260)	22,086		
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Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	·	,138	85,052		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 87,	,878 \$	107,138		