NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS INC Form 8-K August 26, 2004

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

August 25, 2004

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-14315 (Commission File Number) **76-0127701** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10943 North Sam Houston Parkway West Houston, Texas

77064

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(281) 897-7788

Not Applicable

(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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The information in this Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On August 25, 2004, NCI Building Systems, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for its third quarter ended July 31, 2004. A copy of the press release is included herewith as Attachment I.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert J. Medlock

Robert J. Medlock, Executive Vice

President

and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: August 25, 2004

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Attachment I

[NCI letterhead]

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NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER NET INCOME PER DILUTED SHARE OF \$0.41

SALES INCREASE 25% TO NEW QUARTERLY RECORD

HOUSTON (**Aug. 25, 2004**) NCI Building Systems, Inc. (NYSE: NCS) today announced its financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 2004. Sales increased 25% for the third quarter to \$295.8 million from \$236.3 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2003, the highest quarterly sales NCI has ever achieved. Net income for the quarter rose 23% to \$8.4 million, or \$0.41 per diluted share, from \$6.8 million, or \$0.36 per diluted share, for the third quarter of fiscal 2003. Results for the latest quarter include the previously announced charge for debt refinancing costs of approximately \$9.9 million, or \$0.28 per diluted share after tax. Without the impact of the debt refinancing, earnings per diluted share for the third quarter of fiscal 2004 is \$0.69, up 92% compared to \$0.36 per diluted share in the third quarter of fiscal 2003.

Sales for the first nine months of fiscal 2004 increased 19% to \$765.9 million from \$643.3 million for the first nine months of fiscal 2003. Net income for the first nine months increased 72% to \$21.9 million from \$12.7 million for the comparable period in fiscal 2003, while net income per diluted share grew 63% to \$1.09 from \$0.67. Without the impact of the debt refinancing, earnings per diluted share for the first nine months of fiscal 2004 is \$1.38, up 106% compared to \$0.67 per diluted share for the first nine months of fiscal 2003.

A.R. Ginn, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of NCI, remarked, Our strong financial results for the third quarter of fiscal 2004 reflect solid volume growth across all three of our primary businesses, which drove a significant increase in operating income. A key catalyst for this growth was our improved access to steel during the quarter and its reduced price volatility. Greater certainty regarding raw materials enabled us to pursue incremental market share in our metal components and coil coating businesses more aggressively than during the first half of the fiscal year.

The improvement in steel supply also positioned us to address the backlog in engineered building systems more decisively. As a result, we worked through most of the remaining backlog that existed before the steel price increases went into effect earlier this year, even while pursuing new business as we moved into the seasonally busiest half of our fiscal year. As

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anticipated, the Building Group s profitability improved for the third quarter due to renegotiating backlog contracts to recognize the steel price increases, in combination with the positive impact of new contracts based on higher selling prices.

During the third quarter, we also continued to strengthen our balance sheet through the refinancing of our existing bank debt and the redemption of \$125 million principal amount of our 91/4% senior subordinated notes. We expect our future borrowing costs to decrease substantially because of these transactions, and we were pleased that our steadily improving financial position resulted in our debt ratings being raised by Moody s and Standard and Poor s during the quarter.

Because of our third-quarter performance, we are more confident than we have been throughout the fiscal year of our ability to meet our existing and new customers needs. Our primary concern regarding the fourth quarter is softening demand which we have begun to experience during the current quarter compared with the third quarter just ended, which appears consistent with the mixed results from recent economic data. Based primarily on these factors, we are today establishing our guidance for net income per diluted share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004 in a range of \$0.80 to \$0.83, compared with \$0.53 per diluted share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2003.

Although current economic uncertainty affects our short-term visibility, our third-quarter results demonstrate the continuing potential of both our market leadership position in an improving economy and our inherent operating leverage. Our third quarter sales growth highlighted our ability to expand our business organically, and our recently announced definitive agreement for the purchase of Heritage Building Systems and Steelbuilding.com is indicative of the continuing opportunities we see to expand through accretive acquisitions. As a result, we remain confident of NCI s prospects for long-term profitable growth and increased shareholder value.

NCI Building Systems, Inc. is one of North America s largest integrated manufacturers of metal products for the nonresidential building industry. The Company operates manufacturing and distribution facilities located in 16 states and Mexico.

Some statements contained in this release are forward-looking statements, as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual performance of the Company may differ from that projected in such statements as a result of factors such as industry cyclicality and seasonality, adverse weather conditions, fluctuations in customer demand and order patterns, raw material pricing, competitive activity and pricing pressure and general economic conditions affecting the construction industry. Investors should refer to statements regularly filed by the Company in its annual report to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 10-K, its quarterly reports to the SEC on Form 10-Q and its current reports to the SEC on Form 8-K and other filings with the SEC for a discussion of factors which could affect the Company s operations and forward-looking statements made in this communication. The Company expressly disclaims any obligation to release publicly any updates or revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect any changes in expectations.

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NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC. STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended				
	_	July 31, 2004		Aug. 2, 2003	J	Tuly 31, 2004		Aug. 2, 2003
Sales	\$2	295,814	\$2	236,262	\$7	65,906	\$(543,324
Cost of sales		227,578		182,954		89,835		504,535
Gross profit		68,236		53,308	1	76,071		138,789
Selling, general and administrative expenses	_	40,727	_	37,107	1	17,666	- -	103,536
Income from operations		27,509		16,201		58,405		35,253
Interest expense		(3,736)		(4,939)		12,618)		(14,698)
Loss on debt refinancing		(9,879)				(9,879)		
Other income, net	-	1,184	_	36	_	1,939	_	739
Income before income taxes		15,078		11,298		37,847		21,294
Provision for income taxes	_	6,683	-	4,470	_	15,991	_	8,606
Net income	\$	8,395	\$	6,828	\$	21,856	\$	12,688
Net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.42	\$	0.36	\$	1.11	\$	0.68
Diluted	\$	0.41	\$	0.36	\$	1.09	\$	0.67
Average shares outstanding:								
Basic		20,192		18,836		19,722		18,769
Diluted		20,480		18,951		19,990		18,921
Increase in sales		25.2% 13.9%				19.1% 62.7%		
Increase in diluted earnings per share Gross profit percentage		23.1%		22.6%		23.0%		21.6%
Selling, general and administrative expense		23.1%		22.0%		23.0%		21.0%
percentage		13.8%		15.7%		15.4%		16.1%

Income from operations percentage 9.3% 6.9% 7.6% 5.5%

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NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC. COMPUTATION OF EARNINGS BEFORE TAXES, INTEREST, DEPRECIATION, AMORTIZATION AND OTHER NONCASH ITEMS (ADJUSTED EBITDA) (Unaudited) (In thousands)

Twelve Months Ended

	I weive Months Ended				
		July 31, 2004		Aug. 2, 2003	
Net income (loss)	\$	31,968	\$	(41,562)	
Add (deduct): Provision for income taxes		22,143		15,698	
Interest expense, net of interest income and amortization on deferred financing costs		17,490		19,709	
Depreciation and amortization		22,840		23,072	
401(k) noncash contributions		4,323		3,697	
Loss on debt refinancing Cumulative effect on change in accounting principle, net of tax		9,879		808(1) 65,087	
Noncash real estate, net of tax		391	_		
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽²⁾	\$	109,034	\$	86,509	

⁽¹⁾ The loss on debt refinancing was treated as extraordinary per the provisions of SFAS No. 4, Reporting Gains and Losses from Extinguishment of Debt, which were applicable during fiscal year 2002.

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⁽²⁾ The Company discloses adjusted EBITDA, which is a non-GAAP measure. EBITDA is a widely accepted financial indicator in the metal construction industry of a company s profitability, ability to finance its operations, and meet its growth plans. This measure is also used by NCI internally to make acquisition and investment decisions. Adjusted EBITDA is calculated based on the terms contained in the Company s credit agreement. Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States.

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NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC. CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited) (In thousands)

	July 31, 2004		November 1, 2003		
ASSETS Cash Accounts receivable, net Inventories Deferred taxes Prepaids	\$	9,514 95,260 130,908 8,904 7,213	\$	14,204 96,620 59,334 8,904 6,243	
Total current assets	_	251,799	_	185,305	
Property, net Excess of cash over fair value of acquired net assets Other assets	_	189,786 318,247 4,234	_	201,826 318,247 7,782	
Total assets	\$	764,066	\$	713,160	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY Current portion of long-term debt Accounts payable Accrued expenses	\$	2,000 86,470 66,035	\$	6,250 55,106 57,364	
Total current liabilities	_	154,505	_	118,720	
Long-term debt, noncurrent portion Deferred income taxes Equity	_	213,600 20,019 375,942	_	242,500 20,189 331,751	
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$	764,066	\$	713,160	

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NCI BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC. STATEMENT OF CONDENSED CASH FLOWS

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended			Ended
	July 31, 2004		Aug. 2, 2003	
Cash flows from operating activities:		_		_
Net income	\$	21,856	\$	12,688
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Loss on debt refinancing		9,879		
Depreciation and amortization		17,209		17,106
Loss on sale of fixed assets		156		57
Provisions for doubtful accounts		2,026		3,289
Deferred income tax provision		(170)		
Change in working capital:				
(Increase) decrease in current assets		(73,210)		4,079
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities		47,214		(1,076)
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	24,960	_	36,143
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		558		86
Capital expenditures		(6,715)		(12,518)
Acquisitions of Able Door and Baytown Depot				(4,310)
Other	_	1,729	_	1,664
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(4,428)		(15,078)
Cash flows from financing activities Proceeds from stock options exercised		15,988		3,378
Net borrowings (payments) on revolving lines of credit		10,600		(24,900)
Borrowing of long-term debt		200,000		(24 ,700)
Payments on long-term debt		(243,750)		(4,687)
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Payment of debt refinancing costs Purchase of treasury stock	(8,060)	(114)
Net cash used in financing activities	(25,222)	(26,323)
Net decrease in cash Cash at beginning of period	(4,690) 14,204	(5,258) 9,530
Cash at end of period	\$ 9,514	\$ 4,272