## UNITED STATES

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION <br> 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): January 30, 2014

PC Connection, Inc.

|  | (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Delaware | $0-23827$ | $02-0513618$ |
| (State or other juris- <br> diction of incorporation) | (IRS Employer <br> Identification No.) <br> File Number) |  |
| Rt. 101A, 730 Milford Road |  |  |
| Merrimack, NH |  |  |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (603) 683-2000

## N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)$\square$ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)$\square$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))$\square$ 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 January 30, 2014, PC Connection, Inc. announced its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2013. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities 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, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit relating to Item 2.02 shall be deemed to be furnished, and not filed:
99.1 Press Release issued by PC Connection, Inc. on January 30, 2014.

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.

Date: January 30, 2014
PC CONNECTION, INC.

By: /s/ JOSEPH DRISCOLL
Joseph Driscoll
Senior Vice President, Treasurer and
Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.
99.1

Description
Press release issued by PC Connection, Inc. on January 30, 2014

## PC Connection, Inc. Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2013 Results

MERRIMACK, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--January 30, 2014--PC Connection, Inc. (NASDAQ: PCCC):

## FOURTH QUARTER SUMMARY:

- Diluted EPS: $\$ 0.37$, up $12.1 \% \mathrm{y} / \mathrm{y}$
- Net sales: $\$ 578.6$ million, up $4.0 \% \mathrm{y} / \mathrm{y}$
- Gross margin: $13.1 \%$, up 19 basis points $\mathrm{y} / \mathrm{y}$

FULL YEAR SUMMARY:

- Diluted EPS: $\$ 1.35$, up $8.9 \% \mathrm{y} / \mathrm{y}$
- Net sales: $\$ 2.22$ billion, up $2.9 \% \mathrm{y} / \mathrm{y}$
- Gross margin: $13.2 \%$, up 12 basis points $y / y$

PC Connection, Inc. (NASDAQ: PCCC), a national provider of a full range of information technology (IT) solutions to business, government, and education markets, today announced results for the quarter ended December 31, 2013. Net sales for the fourth quarter of 2013 were $\$ 578.6$ million, an increase of $4.0 \%$ compared to $\$ 556.2$ million for the fourth quarter of 2012. Net income for the quarter ended December 31, 2013 was $\$ 9.8$ million, or $\$ 0.37$ per diluted share, compared to net income of $\$ 8.9$ million, or $\$ 0.33$ per diluted share, for the corresponding prior year quarter.

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2013 were $\$ 2.22$ billion, an increase of $\$ 62.8$ million or $2.9 \%$, compared to $\$ 2.16$ billion for the year ended December 31 , 2012. Net income for the year ended December 31, 2013 was $\$ 35.7$ million, or $\$ 1.35$ per diluted share, compared to net income of $\$ 33.1$ million, or $\$ 1.24$ per diluted share, for the corresponding prior year. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, adjusted for stock-based compensation expense, and special charges ("Adjusted EBITDA") totaled $\$ 67.4$ million for the year ended December 31, 2013, as compared to $\$ 63.3$ million for the year ended December 31, 2012.

## Quarterly Sales by Segment:

- Net sales for the SMB segment increased by $4.9 \%$ to $\$ 239.6$ million in the fourth quarter of 2013, compared to $\$ 228.5$ million in the fourth quarter of 2012 . Storage, software, and net/com products had double-digit percentage growth during the quarter. This is the third straight quarter of double-digit growth in SMB software sales.
- Net sales for the Large Account segment totaled $\$ 218.0$ million, an increase of $7.8 \%$, compared to net sales in the fourth quarter of 2012 . Net/com and software sales were notably strong in this segment during the quarter with an increase of $33.0 \%$ and $19.3 \%$, respectively. Commercial sales, which consists of SMB and Large Account sales, increased by $6.2 \%$ from the prior year quarter.
- Net sales to government and education customers (Public Sector segment) decreased by $3.6 \%$ year over year to $\$ 120.9$ million. Sales to state and local government and educational institutions increased by $17.4 \%$ compared to the prior year quarter. Sales to the federal government decreased by $23.0 \%$ as a result of the ongoing budgetary constraints. The federal government business is expected to continue to be under pressure for at least the first half of 2014.


## Quarterly Sales by Product Mix:

- Notebook/tablet sales, the Company's largest product category, increased by $4 \%$ year over year and accounted for $19 \%$ of net sales in both the fourth quarter of 2013 and 2012. Our Public Sector segment experienced strong year-over-year growth, which more than offset slight declines in our SMB and Large Account notebook/tablet sales.
- Software sales, the Company's second largest product category, increased by $14 \%$ year over year and accounted for $17 \%$ of net sales in the fourth quarter of 2013 , compared to $16 \%$ in the fourth quarter of 2012. We experienced strong growth in our SMB and Large Account segments due to increased demand for security, virtualization, office productivity, and operating system software.
- Net/com product sales increased by $9 \%$ year over year and accounted for $10 \%$ of net sales in the fourth quarter of 2013 , compared to $9 \%$ in the fourth quarter of 2012 . Both SMB and Large Account achieved double-digit increases compared to the prior year quarter due to our focus on solution selling, which has resulted in increased demand for both enterprise and client networking.

Overall gross profit dollars increased by $\$ 4.0$ million, or $5.6 \%$, in the fourth quarter of 2013 , compared to the prior year quarter. Consolidated gross margin, as a percentage of net sales, increased to $13.1 \%$ in the fourth quarter of 2013 , compared to $12.9 \%$ in the prior year quarter.

Total selling, general and administrative dollars increased in the fourth quarter of 2013 to $\$ 59.3$ million from $\$ 57.1$ million in the prior year quarter, but stayed flat as a percentage of net sales at $10.3 \%$. As we noted in our previous releases, approximately $\$ 0.5$ million of this increase in SG\&A is due to depreciation related to the Customer Master Data Management software project that we recently placed into service. We continue to invest in solution sales capabilities, including our Cloud Connection team, and expect SG\&A expenses to rise accordingly as the year progresses. However, we are highly focused on improving efficiencies and streamlining wherever possible.

The Company generated $\$ 13.1$ million in positive cash flow during fiscal year 2013 prior to the $\$ 10.5$ million special dividend payment in the fourth quarter of December 31 , 2013 . Total cash was $\$ 42.5$ million at December 31, 2013, compared to $\$ 39.9$ million at December 31, 2012. Our December 31, 2013 cash balance is lower than our September 30 , 2013 balance due to the special dividend paid in the fourth quarter and seasonal working capital fluctuations. Days sales outstanding were 42 days at December 31,2013 , compared to 41 days at December 31, 2012, and inventory turns decreased from 27 turns in the fourth quarter of 2012 to 24 turns in the fourth quarter of 2013.
"We are pleased with PC Connection's results this quarter," said Timothy McGrath, President and Chief Executive Officer. "The Company increased revenue, gross margin, operating margin, and earnings per share in a challenging economic environment. As a National Solution Provider, we are continually working to enhance our capabilities to deliver high value technology solutions to help our customers solve their business challenges." Mr. McGrath concluded, "We believe the team and the strategies we have in place position PC Connection well to gain market share and increase long-term shareholder value."

## Non-GAAP Financial Information

Adjusted EBITDA, pro forma net income, and pro forma earnings per share are non-GAAP financial measures. This information is included to provide information with respect to the Company's operating performance and earnings. Reconciliations of Adjusted EBITDA, pro forma net income, and pro forma earnings per share to GAAP net income are provided in tables immediately following the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

## About PC Connection, Inc.

PC Connection, Inc., a Fortune 1000 company, has three sales companies: PC Connection Sales Corporation, MoreDirect, Inc., and GovConnection, Inc., headquartered in Merrimack, NH; Boca Raton, FL; and Rockville, MD; respectively. All three companies can deliver custom-configured computer systems overnight from our ISO $9001: 2008$ certified technical configuration lab at our distribution center in Wilmington, OH. Investors and media can find more information about PC Connection, Inc. at http://ir.pcconnection.com.

PC Connection Sales Corporation (800-800-5555), the original business of PC Connection, Inc. serving primarily the small- and medium-sized business sector, is a rapid-response provider of IT products and services. It offers more than 300,000 brand-name products through its staff of technically trained sales account managers and telesales specialists, catalogs, publications, and its website at www.pcconnection.com. This company also serves consumer and small office users and is, under its MacConnection brand (800-800-2222), one of Apple's largest authorized online resellers at www.macconnection.com.

MoreDirect, Inc. (561-237-3300), www.moredirect.com, provides corporate technology buyers with best-in-class IT solutions, in-depth IT supply-chain expertise, and access to over 300,000 products and 1,600 vendors through TRAXX ${ }^{\mathrm{TM}}$, a cloud-based eProcurement system. Backed by over 500 technical certifications, MoreDirect's team of engineers, software licensing specialists, and project managers help reduce the cost and complexity of buying hardware, software, and services throughout the entire IT lifecycle.

GovConnection, Inc. (800-800-0019) is a rapid-response provider of IT products and services to federal, state, and local government agencies and educational institutions through specialized account managers, catalogs, publications, and online at www.govconnection.com.

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"Safe Harbor" Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties,


 "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the year ended December 31 , 2012. More specifically, the statements in this release concerning the Company's outlook for selling, general, and administrative expenses in 2014, the Company's efforts in improving efficiencies and





 revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of any new information, future events, or otherwise.

## CONSOLIDATED SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION


(1) Based on last twelve months' net income.
(2) Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) adjusted for stock-based compensation and special charges.
(3) Adjusted market capitalization is defined as gross market capitalization less cash balance.

| REVENUE AND MARGIN INFORMATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| For the Three Months Ended December 31, | 2013 |  |  | 2012 |  |  |
| (amounts in thousands) |  | Net Sales | Gross <br> Margin |  | Net Sales | Gross <br> Margin |
| SMB | \$ | 239,628 | 15.3\% | \$ | 228,493 | 14.6\% |
| Large Account |  | 218,015 | 11.4 |  | 202,271 | 11.2 |
| Public Sector |  | 120,929 | 11.7 |  | 125,483 | 12.5 |
| Total | \$ | 578,572 | 13.1\% | \$ | 556,247 | 12.9\% |

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

| Three Months Ended December 31, | 2013 |  |  | 2012 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (amounts in thousands, except per share data) |  | Amount | \% of Net Sales |  | Amount | \% of Net Sales |
| Net sales | \$ | 578,572 | 100.0\% | \$ | 556,247 | 100.0\% |
| Cost of sales |  | 502,879 | 86.9 |  | 484,546 | 87.1 |
| Gross profit |  | 75,693 | 13.1 |  | 71,701 | 12.9 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |  | 59,315 | 10.3 |  | 57,063 | 10.3 |
| Income from operations |  | 16,378 | 2.8 |  | 14,638 | 2.6 |
| Interest/other expense, net |  | (14) | - |  | (15) | - |
| Income tax provision |  | $(6,523)$ | (1.1) |  | $(5,754)$ | (1.0) |
| Net income | \$ | 9,841 | 1.7\% | \$ | 8,869 | 1.6\% |
| Earnings per common share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.38 |  | \$ | 0.34 |  |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.37 |  | \$ | 0.33 |  |
| Shares used in the computation of earnings per share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 26,181 |  |  | 26,413 |  |
| Diluted |  | 26,453 |  |  | 26,598 |  |

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

| Years Ended December 31, |  | 2013 |  | 2012 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (amounts in thousands, except per share data) |  | Amount | \% of Net Sales |  | Amount | \% of Net Sales |
| Net sales | \$ | 2,221,638 | 100.0\% | \$ | 2,158,873 | 100.0\% |
| Cost of sales |  | 1,928,638 | 86.8 |  | 1,876,784 | 86.9 |
| Gross profit |  | 293,000 | 13.2 |  | 282,089 | 13.1 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |  | 233,604 | 10.5 |  | 226,322 | 10.5 |
| Special charges |  | - | - |  | 1,135 | 0.1 |
| Income from operations |  | 59,396 | 2.7 |  | 54,632 | 2.5 |
| Interest/other expense, net |  | (149) | - |  | (125) | - |
| Income tax provision |  | $(23,565)$ | (1.1) |  | $(21,436)$ | (1.0) |
| Net income | \$ | 35,682 | 1.6\% | \$ | 33,071 | 1.5\% |
| Earnings per common share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 1.37 |  | \$ | 1.25 |  |
| Diluted | \$ | 1.35 |  | \$ | 1.24 |  |

Shares used in the computation of earnings per share:
Basic
Diluted

| 26,120 |
| ---: |
| 26,387 |


| 26,431 |
| ---: |
| 26,586 |


| A RECONCILIATION BETWEEN GAAP AND PRO FORMA NET INCOME |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Years Ended December 31, | 2013 |  | 2012 |  |
| (provided for comparison of our operating results without special charges, amounts in thousands) |  |  |  |  |
| GAAP net income | \$ | 35,682 | \$ | 33,071 |
| Special charges (after tax) |  | - |  | 681 |
| Pro forma net income | \$ | 35,682 | \$ | 33,752 |
| Pro forma diluted earnings per common share | \$ | 1.35 | \$ | 1.27 |

A reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA is detailed below. EBITDA is defined as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization. Adjusted EBITDA means EBITDA adjusted for certain items which are described in the table below. Both EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are considered non-GAAP financial measures. Generally, a non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of a company's performance, financial position, or cash flows that either includes or excludes amounts that are not normally included or excluded in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. We believe that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA provide helpful information with respect to our operating performance including our ability to fund our future capital expenditures and working capital requirements. Adjusted EBITDA also provides helpful information as it is the primary measure used in certain financial covenants contained in our credit agreements.

| (amounts in thousands) | Three Months Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  | Years Ended December 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2013 |  | 2012 |  | \% Change | 2013 |  | 2012 |  | \% Change |  |
| Net income | \$ | 9,841 | \$ | 8,869 |  | \$ | 35,682 | \$ | 33,071 |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 2,078 |  | 2,044 |  |  | 7,089 |  | 6,895 |  |  |
| Income tax expense |  | 6,523 |  | 5,754 |  |  | 23,565 |  | 21,436 |  |  |
| Interest/other expense, net |  | 14 |  | 15 |  |  | 149 |  | 125 |  |  |
| EBITDA |  | 18,456 |  | 16,682 |  |  | 66,485 |  | 61,527 |  |  |
| Stock-based compensation |  | 205 |  | 118 |  |  | 958 |  | 1,494 |  |  |
| Other special charges |  | - |  | - |  |  | - |  | 293 |  |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ | $\underline{18,661}$ | \$ | $\underline{16,800}$ | 11\% | \$ | 67,443 | \$ | 63,314 |  | 7\% |


|  | December 31, | December 31, |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS | 2013 | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ |
| (amounts in thousands) |  |  |

## ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash and cash equivalents
Accounts receivable, net
Inventories
Deferred income taxes
Prepaid expenses and other current assets
Income taxes receivable
Total current assets
Property and equipment, net
Goodwill
Other intangibles, net
Other assets
Total Assets

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
Current Liabilities:
Accounts pa
Accrued expenses and other liabilities
Accrued payroll
Current maturities of capital lease obligation to affiliate
Total current liabilities
Deferred income taxes
Other liabilities

## Total Liabilities

Stockholders' Equity:
Common stock
Additional paid-in capital
Retained earnings
Treasury stock at cost
Total Stockholders' Equity
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity

| $\$$ | 42,547 |  | $\$$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 283,051 |  | 39,907 |  |
|  | 79,141 |  | 267,310 |
|  | 69,637 |  |  |
|  | 6,382 |  | 5,250 |
|  | 5,117 |  | 3,934 |
|  | 2,256 |  | 434 |
|  | 418,494 |  | 386,472 |
|  | 27,600 |  | 26,104 |
|  | 51,276 |  | 51,276 |
|  | 2,854 |  | 3,757 |
|  | 720 |  | 714 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |


| \$ | 124,821 | \$ | 126,110 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 22,362 |  | 22,562 |
|  | 14,935 |  | 13,824 |
|  | - |  | 989 |
|  | 162,118 |  | 163,485 |
|  | 16,224 |  | 10,514 |
|  | 2,773 |  | 3,021 |
|  | 181,115 |  | 177,020 |
|  | 281 |  | 278 |
|  | 104,932 |  | 101,735 |
|  | 230,478 |  | 205,271 |
|  | $(15,862)$ |  | $(15,981)$ |
|  | 319,829 |  | 291,303 |
| \$ | 500,944 | \$ | 468,323 |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years Ended December 31, 2013

## (amounts in thousands)

## Cash Flows from Operating Activities:

Net income
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

Depreciation and amortization
Deferred income taxes
Provision for doubtful accounts
Stock-based compensation expense
Loss on disposal of fixed assets
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options
Income tax benefit from stock-based compensation
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration

Changes in assets and liabilities:
Accounts receivable
Inventories
Prepaid expenses and other current assets
Other non-current assets
Accounts payable
Accrued expenses and other liabilities
Net cash provided by operating activities

Cash Flows from Investing Activities:
Purchases of property and equipment
Proceeds from sale of equipment
Net cash used for investing activities

Cash Flows from Financing Activities:
Repayment of short-term borrowings
Proceeds from short-term borrowings
Dividend payment
Exercise of stock options
Issuance of stock under Employee Stock Purchase Plan
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options
Repayment of capital lease obligation to affiliate
Payment of payroll taxes on stock-based compensation through shares withheld
Purchase of treasury shares
Payment of contingent consideration
Net cash used for financing activities
Increase in cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period

Non-cash Investing and Financing Activities:
Issuance of nonvested stock from treasury
Accrued capital expenditures

| \$ | 35,682 | \$ | 33,071 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 7,089 |  | 6,895 |
|  | 4,578 |  | 674 |
|  | 1,078 |  | 1,561 |
|  | 958 |  | 1,494 |
|  | 5 |  | 82 |
|  | (260) |  | (15) |
|  | - |  | 213 |
|  | - |  | (44) |
|  | $(16,819)$ |  | 26,317 |
|  | $(9,504)$ |  | 7,800 |
|  | $(3,005)$ |  | 2,272 |
|  | (6) |  | (62) |
|  | $(1,371)$ |  | $(4,613)$ |
|  | 1,231 |  | $(5,986)$ |
|  | 19,656 |  | 69,659 |
|  | $(7,607)$ |  | $(9,250)$ |
|  | 2 |  | 10 |
|  | $(7,605)$ |  | $(9,240)$ |
|  | - |  | $(12,471)$ |
|  | - |  | 7,204 |
|  | $(10,475)$ |  | $(10,074)$ |
|  | 1,779 |  | 872 |
|  | 591 |  | 515 |
|  | 260 |  | 15 |
|  | (989) |  | (971) |
|  | (577) |  | (504) |
|  | - |  | $(7,813)$ |
|  | - |  | $(1,900)$ |
|  | $(9,411)$ |  | $(25,127)$ |
|  | 2,640 |  | 35,292 |
|  | 39,907 |  | 4,615 |
| \$ | 42,547 | \$ | 39,907 |
| \$ | 403 | \$ | 1,314 |
|  | 335 |  | 253 |

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