# UNITED STATES <br> 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): May 1, 2008

PC Connection, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

| Delaware | $0-23827$ | $02-0513618$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (State or other juris- <br> diction of incorporation) | (Commission <br> (IRS Employer <br> File Number) | Identification No.) |
|  |  |  |
| 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)

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

On May 1, 2008, PC Connection, Inc. announced its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2008. 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 May 1, 2008.

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.

By: /s/ Jack Ferguson
Jack Ferguson
Executive Vice President, Treasurer, and
Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

# PC Connection, Inc. Reports First Quarter Results <br> Company Announces Record Revenue and Continued Growth in Earnings 

## FIRST QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Record Q1 net sales: \$423.7 million, up 6.4\% year over year
- Operating margin: $1.7 \%$, up from $1.4 \%$ last year
- Net income: \$4.8 million, up 41\% year over year
- Diluted earnings per share: \$.18, up from \$. 13 last year

MERRIMACK, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--PC Connection, Inc. (NASDAQ: PCCC), a leading direct marketer of information technology (IT) products and services, today announced results for the quarter ended March 31, 2008. Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2008 increased by $\$ 25.5$ million, or $6.4 \%$, to $\$ 423.7$ million from $\$ 398.2$ million for the three months ended March 31, 2007. Net income for the quarter increased by $\$ 1.4$ million to $\$ 4.8$ million, or $\$ .18$ per share, compared to $\$ 3.4$ million, or $\$ .13$ per share, for the corresponding prior year quarter.
"We are pleased with the Company's overall performance during the first quarter of 2008, especially in light of this challenging market," said Patricia Gallup, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "The PC Connection team delivered another quarter of record sales, and achieved significant increases in both operating income and earnings per share, largely due to our sales growth and our success in managing overall operating costs."

## Quarterly Sales Growth By Business Segment:

- Net sales for the small- and medium-sized business (SMB) segment increased by $2.7 \%$ to $\$ 240.1$ million compared to the first quarter of 2007. Corporate outbound sales within the segment grew $8.7 \%$ year over year. Sales to consumers continued to decline, reflecting our focus on business customers.
- Net sales for MoreDirect, Inc., our Large Account segment, increased by 6.2\% to $\$ 117.2$ million compared to the first quarter of 2007. Revenue growth resulted primarily from the acquisition of several new enterprise customers and a greater share of existing customers’ business.
- Net sales to government and education customers (Public Sector segment) increased by $\$ 12.4$ million, or 23.1\%, to $\$ 66.4$ million compared to the first quarter of 2007. Strong federal contract sales drove this double-digit increase.


## Quarterly Sales Growth by Product Mix:

- Video, Imaging and Sound sales increased $30 \%$ year over year, accounting for $15 \%$ of net sales in the first quarter of 2008 compared to $12 \%$ for the corresponding prior year quarter. Strong video product sales drove the majority of this revenue growth.
- Software sales increased $16 \%$ year over year, accounting for $13 \%$ of net sales in the first quarter of 2008 compared to $12 \%$ of net sales for the first quarter of 2007.
- Storage Devices sales increased $22 \%$ year over year, accounting for $10 \%$ of net sales in the first quarter of 2008 compared to $9 \%$ of net sales for the corresponding period a year ago.
- Net/Com Products sales increased 20\% year over year, accounting for $8 \%$ of net sales in the first quarter of 2008 compared to $7 \%$ of net sales for the corresponding period a year ago.
- Sales of Computer Systems, consisting of Notebooks, PDAs, Desktops, and Servers, decreased 7\% year over year, accounting for $29 \%$ of net sales in the first quarter of 2008 compared to $33 \%$ of net sales for the corresponding period a year ago.

Gross profit dollars increased by $\$ 2.8$ million, or $5.7 \%$, in the first quarter of 2008 from the corresponding period a year ago primarily due to larger revenues in 2008. Gross profit margin, as a percentage of net sales, was down 10 basis-points to $12.4 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008 compared to the first quarter of 2007, primarily due to lower agency fee revenues in 2008 which are recorded on a net basis.

Overall annualized sales productivity increased 5\% in the first quarter of 2008 compared to the first quarter of 2007. Sales productivity in our Large Account segment increased $16 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008 compared to the first quarter of 2007. Sales productivity in our Public Sector segment increased 17\% year over year primarily due to increased Federal contract sales in 2008. For our SMB segment, productivity was level year over year. On a consolidated basis, the total number of sales representatives was 698 at March 31, 2008, compared to 675 at March 31, 2007 and 692 at December 31, 2007.

Total selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG\&A") for the quarter increased year over year by $\$ 1.2$ million, or $2.7 \%$, but decreased as a percentage of net sales to $10.7 \%$ for the first quarter of 2008 from $11.1 \%$ for the first quarter of 2007. The year-overyear dollar increase was primarily attributable to the incremental variable compensation associated with higher revenues and gross profits. Improved leverage of our cost structure decreased our SG\&A expenses as a percentage of net sales in Q1 2008 compared to Q1 2007.

Ms. Gallup concluded, "The investments we are making to increase sales and improve efficiencies are producing positive results. Our first quarter performance reflects a solid team effort to run our business more effectively while continuing to offer the best customer service in our marketplace. We believe we have the right strategies, resources, and talent in place to continue to improve our operating performance and enhance long-term shareholder value."

## About PC Connection, Inc.

PC Connection, Inc., a Fortune 1000 company, has three sales subsidiaries: 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. Investors and media can find more information about PC Connection, Inc. at http://ir.pcconnection.com.

PC Connection Sales Corporation (1-800-800-5555), the original business of PC Connection, Inc. serving the small- and mediumsized business sector (SMB), is a rapid-response provider of information technology (IT) products and services. It offers more than 150,000 brand-name products through its staff of technically trained sales account managers and catalog telesales representatives, catalogs, and publications, and its website at www.pcconnection.com. The subsidiary serves the Apple/Macintosh community through its MacConnection division (1-800-800-2222), which also publishes specialized catalogs and is online at www.macconnection.com.

MoreDirect, Inc. (561-237-3300), www.moredirect.com, provides corporate technology buyers with a comprehensive web-based eprocurement solution and in-depth IT supply-chain expertise, serving as a one-stop source by aggregating more than 300,000 products from the inventories of leading IT wholesale distributors and manufacturers. MoreDirect's TRAXX ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ system is a seamless end-to-end interface that empowers clients to electronically source, evaluate, compare prices, and track related technology product purchases in real-time.

GovConnection, Inc. (1-800-800-0019) is a provider of IT products and services to federal, state, and local government agencies and educational institutions through specialized account managers, catalogs, and 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, including, but not limited to, the impact of changes in market demand and the overall level of economic activity, or in the level of business investment in information technology products, competitive products and pricing, product availability and market acceptance, new products, fluctuations in operating results, and the ability of the Company to hire and retain essential personnel, and other risks that could cause actual results to differ materially from these detailed under the caption "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, 2007. More specifically, the statements in this release concerning the Company’s outlook for 2008 and the statements concerning the Company's gross margin percentage, productivity, and selling and administrative costs and other statements of a non-historical basis (including statements regarding implementing strategies for future growth and the ability of the Company to improve sales productivity) are forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties. Such risks and uncertainties include the ability to realize market demand for and competitive pricing pressures on the products and services marketed by the Company, the continued acceptance of the Company's distribution channel by vendors and customers, continuation of key vendor and customer relationships and support programs and the ability of the Company to hire and retain qualified sales representatives and other essential personnel. The Company assumes no obligation to update the information in this press release or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of any new information, future events, or otherwise.

## CONSOLIDATED SELECTED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

At or for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2008

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## Net Sales of Enterprise Server and Networking Products (included in the above Product Mix):

## Stock Performance Indicators:

Actual shares outstanding
Total book value per share
Tangible book value per share
Closing price
Market capitalization
Trailing price/earnings ratio ${ }^{(3)}$
$\underline{\underline{\$ 143,344}} \quad \mathbf{3 4 \%} \quad \$ \quad 122,832 \quad 31 \% \quad 17 \%$
(1) Annualized
(2) Does not reflect cancellations or returns
(3) Earnings is based on the last four quarters

## SELECTED SEGMENT INFORMATION

| For the Three Months Ended March 31, <br> (Dollars in thousands) | 2008 |  |  | 2007 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Net Sales |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Gross } \\ \text { Margin (\%) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Net <br> Sales |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gross } \\ \text { Margin (\%) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| PC Connection Sales Corporation (SMB) | \$ | 240,149 | 13.9\% | \$ | 233,933 | 13.5\% |
| MoreDirect (Large Account) |  | 117,208 | 10.8 |  | 110,315 | 10.8 |
| GovConnection (Public Sector) |  | 66,367 | 10.2 |  | 53,932 | 11.8 |
| Total | \$ | 423,724 | 12.4\% | \$ | 398,180 | 12.5\% |

## CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS

| Three Months Ended March 31, | 2008 |  |  | 2007 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (Amounts in thousands, except per share data) | Amount |  | \% of Net Sales |  | ount | \% of Net Sales |
| Net sales | \$ | 423,724 | 100.0\% | \$ | 398,180 | 100.0\% |
| Cost of sales |  | 370,980 | 87.6 |  | 348,265 | 87.5 |
| Gross Profit |  | 52,744 | 12.4 |  | 49,915 | 12.5 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |  | 45,393 | 10.7 |  | 44,193 | 11.1 |
| Income From Operations |  | 7,351 | 1.7 |  | 5,722 | 1.4 |
| Interest expense |  | (162) | - |  | (208) | (0.1) |
| Other, net |  | 159 | - |  | 201 | 0.1 |
| Income tax provision |  | $(2,574)$ | (0.6) |  | $(2,330)$ | (0.5) |
| Net Income | \$ | 4,774 | 1.1\% | \$ | 3,385 | 0.9\% |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 26,860 |  |  | 26,680 |  |
| Diluted |  | 26,974 |  |  | 27,005 |  |
| Earnings per common share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.18 |  | \$ | 0.13 |  |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.18 |  | \$ | 0.13 |  |
| CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS <br> (Amounts in thousands) |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 31, } \\ & \hline 8 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2007 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |

## ASSETS

Current Assets:
Cash and cash equivalents
Accounts receivable, net
Inventories-merchandise
Deferred income taxes
Income taxes receivable
Prepaid expenses and other current assets
Total current assets

| $\mathbf{\$}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 4 8 8}$ | $\$$ | 13,741 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1 7 8 , 4 7 3}$ |  | 202,216 |
|  | $\mathbf{6 5 , 6 7 0}$ |  | 76,090 |
|  | $\mathbf{2 , 8 8 0}$ |  | 2,858 |
|  | $\mathbf{2 , 0 1 0}$ |  | 345 |
|  | $\mathbf{3 , 7 3 5}$ |  | 4,322 |
|  | $\mathbf{2 7 3 , 2 5 6}$ |  | 299,572 |
|  | $\mathbf{2 2 , 8 0 7}$ |  | 20,831 |
|  | $\mathbf{5 6 , 8 6 7}$ |  | 56,867 |
|  | $\mathbf{3 , 0 2 4}$ |  | 3,291 |
|  | $\mathbf{3 0 8}$ |  | 318 |
| $\mathbf{\$ 3 6 , 2 6 2}$ |  | $\$$ | 380,879 |

Property and equipment, net
Goodwill
Other intangibles, net
Other assets
Total Assets

## LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current Liabilities:

| Current maturities of capital lease obligation to affiliate | \$ | 571 | \$ | 527 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Accounts payable |  | 86,413 |  | 111,140 |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities |  | 19,428 |  | 20,557 |
| Accrued payroll |  | 6,959 |  | 10,816 |
| Total current liabilities |  | 113,371 |  | 143,040 |
| Capital lease obligation to affiliate, less current maturities |  | 4,141 |  | 4,309 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 6,883 |  | 5,436 |
| Other liabilities |  | 3,486 |  | 3,784 |
| Total Liabilities |  | 127,881 |  | 156,569 |
| Stockholders' Equity: |  |  |  |  |
| Common stock |  | 273 |  | 273 |
| Additional paid-in capital |  | 94,368 |  | 94,132 |
| Retained earnings |  | 136,744 |  | 131,970 |
| Treasury stock at cost |  | $(3,004)$ |  | $(2,065)$ |
| Total Stockholders' Equity |  | 228,381 |  | 224,310 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | \$ | 356,262 | \$ | 380,879 |

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

## Three months ended March 31, 2008 (Amounts in thousands)

|  | Common Stock |  | Additional Paid-In Capital | Retained Earnings | Treasury Shares |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Shares | Amount |  |  | Shares | Amount |  |
| Balance - December 31, 2007 | 27,252 | \$273 | \$94,132 | \$131,970 | (327) | $(\$ 2,065)$ | \$224,310 |
| Stock compensation expense | - | - | 207 | - | - | - | 207 |
| Exercise of stock options, including income tax benefits | 3 | - | 29 | - | - | - | 29 |
| Repurchase of common stock for Treasury | - | - | - | - | (92) | (939) | (939) |
| Net income | - | - | - | 4,774 | - | - | 4,774 |
| Balance - March 31, 2008 | 27,255 | \$273 | \$94,368 | \$136,744 | (419) | (\$3,004) | \$228,381 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Three Months Ended March 31, (Amounts in thousands)

## Cash Flows from Operating Activities:

| Net income | \$ | 4,774 | \$ | 3,385 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 1,670 |  | 1,888 |
| Provision for doubtful accounts |  | 399 |  | 337 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 1,425 |  | (168) |
| Stock compensation expense |  | 207 |  | (68) |
| Income tax benefits from exercise of stock options |  | 4 |  | 887 |
| Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options |  | (1) |  | (343) |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets |  | - |  | 6 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Accounts receivable |  | 23,344 |  | 23,551 |
| Inventories |  | 10,420 |  | 2,000 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets |  | $(1,078)$ |  | $(1,454)$ |
| Other non-current assets |  | 10 |  | 8 |
| Accounts payable |  | $(25,180)$ |  | $(21,910)$ |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities |  | $(5,284)$ |  | $(2,179)$ |
| Net cash provided by operating activities |  | 10,710 |  | 5,940 |

## Cash Flows from Investing Activities:

Purchases of property and equipment

| $(2,926)$ |
| :---: |
| $(2,926)$ |

## Cash Flows from Financing Activities:

Proceeds from short-term borrowings

| 28,815 |  |
| ---: | ---: |
|  | $(28,815)$ |
|  | $(124)$ |
|  | $(939)$ |
|  | 25 |
| 1 |  |
|  | $(1,037)$ |
| 6,747 |  |
|  | 13,741 |
| $\$ \quad 20,488$ |  |


| $(217)$ |
| ---: |
| - |
| 2,494 |
| 343 |
| 2,620 |
| 7,086 |
|  |
| $\$, 582$ |

## CONTACT:

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