

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of the earliest event reported)

August 6, 2020

VALHI, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5467

(Commission
File Number)

87-0110150

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

75240-2620

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

(972) 233-1700

(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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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	VHI	NYSE

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

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.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The registrant hereby furnishes the information set forth in its press release entitled “Valhi Reports Second Quarter 2020 Results” that the registrant issued on August 6, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The press release the registrant furnishes as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report is not deemed “filed” for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Registration statements or other documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission shall not incorporate this information by reference, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosures.

The registrant hereby furnishes the information set forth in its press release entitled “Valhi Declares Quarterly Dividend” that the registrant also issued on August 6, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

The press release the registrant furnishes as Exhibit 99.2 to this current report is not “filed” for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Registration statements or other documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission shall not incorporate this information by reference, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1*	<u>Press release dated August 6, 2020 entitled “Valhi Reports Second Quarter 2020 Results” and issued by the registrant.</u>
99.2*	<u>Press release dated August 6, 2020 entitled “Valhi Declares Quarterly Dividend” and issued by the registrant.</u>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)
* Filed herewith	



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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VALHI REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2020 RESULTS

DALLAS, TEXAS . . August 6, 2020. Valhi, Inc. (NYSE: VHI) reported a net loss attributable to Valhi stockholders of \$9.1 million, or \$.32 per diluted share, in the second quarter of 2020 compared to net income of \$7.1 million, or \$.25 per diluted share, in the second quarter of 2019. For the first six months of 2020, Valhi reported net income attributable to Valhi stockholders of \$15.3 million, or \$.54 per diluted share compared to net income of \$25.3 million, or \$.89 per diluted share in the first six months of 2019. Net income attributable to Valhi stockholders decreased in the second quarter of 2020 as compared to the second quarter of 2019 due to the net effects of lower operating results from all of our segments, a higher effective income tax rate in 2020 and lower litigation settlement expenses in 2020 due to a litigation settlement charge in the second quarter of 2019. Net income attributable to Valhi stockholders decreased for the first six months of 2020 due to the net effects of lower operating results from our Chemicals Segment and our Component Products Segment, a higher effective income tax rate in 2020, higher income from tax increment infrastructure reimbursement from our Real Estate Management and Development Segment in 2020 and lower litigation settlement expenses in 2020 as compared to 2019 due to a litigation settlement charge in the second quarter of 2019.

The Chemicals Segment's net sales were \$386.0 million for the second quarter of 2020 compared to \$484.5 million in the second quarter of 2019 and \$807.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2020 compared to \$921.0 million in the same period of 2019. The Chemicals Segment's net sales decreased in 2020 primarily due to lower sales volumes. TiO₂ sales volumes were 22% lower in the second quarter of 2020 as compared to the second quarter of 2019 and 14% lower in the first six months of 2020 compared to the same period in 2019 primarily due to lower demand resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic which impacted all major markets. The Chemicals Segment's average TiO₂ selling prices in the second quarter and first six months of 2020 were 1% lower than average TiO₂ selling prices for the comparable periods of 2019. TiO₂ selling prices will increase or decrease generally as a result of competitive market pressures, changes in the relative level of supply and demand as well as changes in raw material and other manufacturing costs. Fluctuations in currency exchange rates (primarily the euro) also affected net sales comparisons, decreasing our Chemicals Segment's net sales by approximately \$4 million in the second quarter of 2020 and approximately \$11 million in the first six months of 2020 as compared to second quarter and first six months of 2019. The table at the end of this press release shows how each of these items impacted net sales.

The Chemicals Segment's operating income in the second quarter of 2020 was \$35.9 million as compared to \$50.5 million in the second quarter of 2019 and \$82.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2020 compared to \$103.3 million in the same period of 2019. The Chemicals Segment's operating income decreased in 2020 primarily due to the unfavorable effects of lower sales volumes, lower average TiO₂ selling prices and higher raw materials and other production costs. The Chemicals Segment's TiO₂ production volumes were 2% lower in the second quarter and first six months of 2020 as compared to same periods of 2019. The Chemicals Segment's production facilities operated at overall average capacity utilization rates of 95% and 96% in the first and second quarters of 2020, respectively, as compared to 97% in the first and second quarters of 2019. Fluctuations in currency exchange rates also affected operating income comparisons, increasing operating income by approximately \$11 million in the first six months of 2020 as compared to the same period of 2019.

The Component Products Segment's net sales were \$23.8 million for the second quarter of 2020 compared to \$33.7 million in the second quarter of 2019 and \$56.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2020 compared to \$64.9 million for the same prior year period. Operating income attributable to the Component Products Segment was \$2.4 million for the second quarter of 2020 compared to \$5.6 million for the second quarter of 2019 and \$7.4 million for the first six months of 2020 compared to \$10.0 million for the same prior year period. The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the Component Products Segment's operations during the second quarter of 2020 due to government mandated closures and reduced demand for its products which resulted in a decrease in net sales and operating income in the second quarter and for the first six months of 2020 compared to the same periods in 2019.

The Real Estate Management and Development Segment had sales of \$5.2 million in the second quarter of 2020, including \$2.7 million in revenue on sales of land held for development, compared to sales of \$10.4 million in the second quarter of 2019, including \$8.4 million in sales of land held for development. For the first six months of 2020 the Real Estate Management and Development Segment had sales of \$11.2 million, including \$6.2 million in revenue on sales of land held for development, compared to sales of \$22.3 million, including \$17.9 million in sales of land held for development. Land sales revenue is generally recognized over time based on cost inputs, and land sales revenues are dependent on spending for development activities as we balance development requirements with home builder output during the year. Land sales revenues are also impacted by the relative timing of when new land parcel sales are closed. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, in the second quarter of 2020 some residential builders delayed or canceled closing on certain parcels in escrow and our Real Estate Management and Development Segment began delaying or curtailing infrastructure development activities where possible to align with expected builder output. The Real Estate Management and Development Segment had operating income in the second quarter of 2020 of \$1.0 million compared to operating income of \$9.8 million in the second quarter of 2019 and operating income of \$20.2 million for the first six months of 2020 compared to \$13.0 million for the same period of 2019. Operating income in the first six months of 2020 includes income related to the recognition of tax increment reimbursement note receivables of \$19.1 million (\$9.9 million, or \$.35 per diluted share, net of income taxes and noncontrolling interest) compared to \$8.8 million (\$4.6 million, or \$.16 per diluted share, net of income taxes and noncontrolling interest) of such income recognized in the first six months of 2019.

Corporate expenses were 17% lower in the second quarter and 9% lower for the first six months of 2020 as compared to the same periods in 2019 primarily due to lower litigation and related costs. The second quarter of 2019 includes a litigation settlement charge of \$19.6 million (\$12.8 million, or \$.45 per diluted share, net of income taxes and noncontrolling interest) for a settlement agreement at NL that was approved by the court in July 2019. Insurance recoveries aggregated \$5.0 million (\$3.1 million, or \$.11 per diluted share, net of income taxes and noncontrolling interest) in the first six months of 2019 and substantially all of the insurance recoveries we recognized in the second quarter of 2019 relate to a settlement NL reached with a single insurance carrier that agreed to reimburse NL for a portion of its past and future litigation defense costs. In the first quarter of 2020, Kronos recognized a \$1.5 million insurance settlement gain (\$.8 million, or \$.03 per diluted share, net of income taxes and noncontrolling interest) related to a property damage claim.

We recognized income tax expense of \$21.2 million in the second quarter of 2020 compared to income tax expense of \$13.0 million in the second quarter of 2019 and \$32.6 million in the first six months of 2020 compared to \$27.2 million in the first six months of 2019. The increase is primarily due to higher amounts recognized for global intangible low-tax income (GILTI) in 2020 due to limitations on related deductions and tax credits and an increase in the valuation allowance for the nondeductible amount of business interest expense carryforward not expected to be fully utilized under the more-likely-than-not recognition criteria. We apply an estimated annual effective tax rate in determining our interim provision for income taxes and the effects of GILTI and the increase to the valuation allowance relative to our decreased earnings significantly impacted our 2020 estimated annual effective tax rate

Our results of operations for the second quarter of 2020 were significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic due to government mandated closures and reduced demand for many of our segments' products resulting from the rapid contraction of vast areas of the global economy. The extent of the COVID-19 impact on our future operations will depend on the time period and degree to which the COVID-19 pandemic persists in the global economy thereby reducing customer demand for certain of our segments' products, including the timing and extent to which our segments' customers' operations continue to be impacted, their customers' perception as to when consumer demand for their products will return to pre-pandemic levels and on any future disruptions in their operations or their suppliers' operations, all of which are difficult to predict.

The statements in this press release relating to matters that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements that represent management's beliefs and assumptions based on currently available information. Although we believe the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot give any assurances that these expectations will be correct. Such statements by their nature involve substantial risks and uncertainties that could significantly impact expected results, and actual future results could differ materially from those predicted. While it is not possible to identify all factors, we continue to face many risks and uncertainties. Among the factors that could cause our actual future results to differ materially include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Future supply and demand for our products;
- The extent of the dependence of certain of our businesses on certain market sectors;
- The cyclical nature of certain of our businesses (such as Kronos' TiO₂ operations);
- Customer and producer inventory levels;
- Unexpected or earlier-than-expected industry capacity expansion (such as the TiO₂ industry);
- Changes in raw material and other operating costs (such as ore, zinc, brass, aluminum, steel and energy costs);
- Changes in the availability of raw materials (such as ore);
- General global economic and political conditions that harm the worldwide economy, disrupt our supply chain, increase material costs, reduce demand or perceived demand for TiO₂, component products and land held for sale or impair our ability to operate our facilities (including changes in the level of gross domestic product in various regions of the world, natural disasters, terrorist acts, global conflicts and public health crises such as COVID-19);
- Competitive products and substitute products;
- Customer and competitor strategies;
- Potential difficulties in integrating future acquisitions;
- Potential difficulties in upgrading or implementing accounting and manufacturing software systems;
- Potential consolidation of our competitors;
- Potential consolidation of our customers;
- The impact of pricing and production decisions;
- Competitive technology positions;
- Our ability to protect or defend intellectual property rights;
- The introduction of trade barriers or trade disputes;
- The ability of our subsidiaries to pay us dividends;
- The impact of current or future government regulations (including employee healthcare benefit related regulations);
- Uncertainties associated with new product development and the development of new product features;
- Fluctuations in currency exchange rates (such as changes in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and each of the euro, the Norwegian krone and the Canadian dollar) or possible disruptions to our business resulting from uncertainties associated with the euro or other currencies;
- Operating interruptions (including, but not limited to, labor disputes, leaks, natural disasters, fires, explosions, unscheduled or unplanned downtime, transportation interruptions, cyber-attacks and public health crises such as COVID-19);
- Decisions to sell operating assets other than in the ordinary course of business;
- The timing and amounts of insurance recoveries;
- Our ability to renew, amend, refinance or establish credit facilities;
- Our ability to maintain sufficient liquidity;
- The ultimate outcome of income tax audits, tax settlement initiatives or other tax matters, including future tax reform;

- Our ability to utilize income tax attributes, the benefits of which may or may not have been recognized under the more-likely-than-not recognition criteria;
- Environmental matters (such as those requiring compliance with emission and discharge standards for existing and new facilities, or new developments regarding environmental remediation at sites related to our former operations);
- Government laws and regulations and possible changes therein (such as changes in government regulations which might impose various obligations on former manufacturers of lead pigment and lead-based paint, including NL, with respect to asserted health concerns associated with the use of such products) including new environmental health and safety regulations such as those seeking to limit or classify TiO₂ or its use;
- The ultimate resolution of pending litigation (such as NL's lead pigment and environmental matters);
- Our ability to comply with covenants contained in our revolving bank credit facilities;
- Our ability to complete and comply with the conditions of our licenses and permits;
- Changes in real estate values and construction costs in Henderson, Nevada;
- Water levels in Lake Mead; and
- Possible future litigation.

Should one or more of these risks materialize (or the consequences of such development worsen), or should the underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results could differ materially from those currently forecasted or expected. We disclaim any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement whether as a result of changes in information, future events or otherwise.

Valhi, Inc. is engaged in the titanium dioxide pigments, component products (security products and high performance marine components) and real estate management and development industries.

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VALHI, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(In millions, except earnings per share)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Net sales				
Chemicals	\$ 484.5	\$ 386.0	\$ 921.0	\$ 807.0
Component products	33.7	23.8	64.9	56.1
Real estate management and development	10.4	5.2	22.3	11.2
<i>Total net sales</i>	<u>\$ 528.6</u>	<u>\$ 415.0</u>	<u>\$ 1,008.2</u>	<u>\$ 874.3</u>
Operating income				
Chemicals	\$ 50.5	\$ 35.9	\$ 103.3	\$ 82.7
Component products	5.6	2.4	10.0	7.4
Real estate management and development	9.8	1.0	13.0	20.2
<i>Total operating income</i>	65.9	39.3	126.3	110.3
General corporate items:				
Securities earnings	3.3	1.0	6.4	2.6
Insurance recoveries	4.7	-	5.0	1.6
Changes in market value of Valhi common stock held by subsidiaries	1.9	(.5)	3.0	(2.9)
Other components of net periodic pension expense	(4.1)	(5.0)	(8.2)	(9.7)
Litigation settlement expense, net	(19.6)	-	(19.6)	-
General expenses, net	(10.8)	(9.0)	(18.7)	(17.1)
Interest expense	(10.1)	(8.8)	(20.4)	(18.5)
<i>Income before income taxes</i>	31.2	17.0	73.8	66.3
Income tax expense	13.0	21.2	27.2	32.6
<i>Net income (loss)</i>	18.2	(4.2)	46.6	33.7
Noncontrolling interest in net income of subsidiaries				
	11.1	4.9	21.3	18.4
<i>Net income (loss) attributable to Valhi stockholders</i>	<u>\$ 7.1</u>	<u>\$ (9.1)</u>	<u>\$ 25.3</u>	<u>\$ 15.3</u>
Amounts attributable to Valhi stockholders:				
Basic and diluted net income (loss) per share	\$.25	\$ (.32)	\$.89	\$.54
Basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding	28.5	28.5	28.5	28.5

VALHI, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
IMPACT OF PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN CHEMICAL SEGMENT'S NET SALES

	Three months ended June 30, 2020 vs. 2019	Six months ended June 30, 2020 vs. 2019
Percentage change in TiO₂ net sales :		
TiO ₂ sales volumes	(22)%	(14)%
TiO ₂ product pricing	(1)	(1)
TiO ₂ product mix/other	4	4
Changes in currency exchange rates	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>
Total	<u>(20)%</u>	<u>(12)%</u>



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VALHI DECLARES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND

DALLAS, TEXAS . . . August 6, 2020 . . . Valhi, Inc. (NYSE: VHI) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of eight cents (\$0.08) per share on its common stock, payable on September 17, 2020 to stockholders of record at the close of business on September 1, 2020.

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