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): August 1, 2018

COMPASS DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-3492757-6218917(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-34926 (Commission File Number) 20-3812051 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

301 Riverside Avenue
Second Floor
Westport, CT 06880
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 221-1703

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

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. o

Section 2 Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On August 1, 2018, Compass Diversified Holdings and Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC (NYSE: CODI) (collectively "CODI") issued a press release announcing its consolidated operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018. A copy of the press release is furnished within this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of CODI dated August 1, 2018

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.

Date: August 1, 2018 COMPASS DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS

By: /s/ Ryan J. Faulkingham

Ryan J. Faulkingham Regular Trustee

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.

Date: August 1, 2018 COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC

By: /s/ Ryan J. Faulkingham

Ryan J. Faulkingham Chief Financial Officer



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Compass Diversified Holdings Reports Second Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Generates Revenue Growth at Nine Subsidiaries; Provides Shareholders with Stable and Growing Cash Flows and a Sizeable Distribution

Westport, Conn., August 1, 2018 - Compass Diversified Holdings (NYSE: CODI) ("CODI," "we," "our" or the "Company"), an owner of leading middle market businesses, announced today its consolidated operating results for the three months ended June 30, 2018.

Second Quarter 2018 Highlights

- Generated Cash Provided by Operating Activities of \$28.7 million for the second quarter of 2018, and Cash Flow Available for Distribution and Reinvestment ("CAD" or "Cash Flow") of \$30.3 million for the second quarter of 2018;
- Reported net income of \$0.5 million for the second guarter of 2018;
- Announced the add-on acquisitions of ESMI Companies ("ESMI") and MKC Enterprises, Inc. ("MKC") by CODI's subsidiary, Clean Earth, Inc. ("Clean Earth");
- Signed a credit agreement for a revolving credit facility totaling \$600 million and a term loan facility in the amount of \$500 million; and completed a private offering of \$400 million of 8.000% senior unsecured notes due 2026;
- Paid a second quarter 2018 cash distribution of \$0.36 per share on CODI's common shares in April 2018, bringing cumulative distributions paid to \$16.7952 per common share since CODI's IPO in May of 2006;
- Paid a quarterly cash distribution of \$0.453125 per share on the Company's 7.250% Series A Preferred Shares in April 2018.

"During the second quarter, our leading industrial and branded consumer businesses generated strong results," said Elias Sabo, CEO of Compass Diversified Holdings. "We are pleased to have grown revenues at nine of our subsidiaries, while providing shareholders with solid and growing cash flows and a sizeable distribution."

Mr. Sabo continued, "During the first six months of 2018, we continued to capitalize on compelling market opportunities, while reinvesting in our leading middle market businesses and implementing important measures aimed at further strengthening CODI's long-term growth potential. Complementing this success,

we enhanced our liquidity position and capital structure under favorable terms and remain in a strong position to implement our proven and disciplined investment strategy."

Operating Results

For the quarter ended June 30, 2018, CODI generated Cash Provided by Operating Activities of \$28.7 million, as compared to Cash Provided by Operating Activities of \$37.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2017. CODI reported Cash Flow (see Note Regarding Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below) of \$30.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2018, as compared to \$25.5 million for the prior year's comparable quarter. CODI's weighted average number of shares outstanding for the quarters ended June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017 were 59.9 million.

Cash Flow for the second quarter of 2018 reflects year-over-year earnings increases at the Company's Advanced Circuits, Arnold Magnetics, Clean Earth and Manitoba Harvest businesses, offset by declines at the Company's Liberty, ErgoBaby and 5.11 businesses.

CODI's Cash Flow is calculated after taking into account all interest expense, cash taxes paid, preferred share distributions and maintenance capital expenditures, and includes the operating results of each of our businesses for the periods during which CODI owned them. However, Cash Flow excludes the gains from monetizing interests in CODI's subsidiaries, which have totaled over \$770 million since going public in 2006.

Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2018 was \$0.5 million, as compared to net loss of \$2.7 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2017.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of June 30, 2018, CODI had approximately \$37.5 million in cash and cash equivalents, \$498.8 million outstanding on its term loan facility, \$400 million in Senior Notes and \$92.0 million in outstanding borrowings under its revolving credit facility.

In April 2018, the Company signed a credit agreement for a revolving credit facility totaling \$600 million and a term loan facility in the amount of \$500 million. Under the terms of the credit agreement, CODI extended the maturities of its revolver and term loan to 2023 and 2025, respectively. In April 2018, the Company also completed a private offering of \$400 million of 8.000% senior unsecured notes due 2026. The Company has approximately \$508 million in net borrowing availability under its revolver as of June 30, 2018.

Second Quarter 2018 Distributions

On July 5, 2018, CODI's Board of Directors (the "Board") declared a second quarter distribution of \$0.36 per share on the Company's common shares (the "Common Shares"). The cash distribution was paid on July 26, 2018 to all holders of common shares as of July 19, 2018. Since its IPO in May of 2006, CODI has paid a cumulative distribution of \$16.7952 per common share.

The Board also declared a quarterly cash distribution of \$0.453125 per share on the Company's 7.250% Series A Preferred Shares (the "Preferred Shares"). The distribution on the Preferred Shares covered the period from and including April 30, 2018, up to, but excluding, July 30, 2018. The distribution for such period was paid on July 30, 2018 to all holders of record of Preferred Shares as of July 15, 2018.

The Board also declared a quarterly cash distribution of \$0.74 per share on the Company's 7.875% Series B Preferred Shares (the "Series B Preferred Shares"). The distribution on the Series B Preferred Shares covers the period from and including March 13, 2018, the original issue date of the Series B Preferred Shares, up to, but excluding, July 30, 2018. The distribution for such period was paid on July 30, 2018 to all holders of record of the Series B Preferred Shares as of July 15, 2018.

Conference Call

Management will host a conference call on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. ET to discuss the latest corporate developments and financial results. The dial-in number for callers in the U.S. is (855) 212-2368 and the dial-in number for international callers is (315) 625-6886. The access code for all callers is 7092917. A live webcast will also be available on the Company's website at www.compassdiversifiedholdings.com.

A replay of the call will be available through August 9, 2018. To access the replay, please dial (855) 859-2056 in the U.S. and (404) 537-3406 outside the U.S., and then enter the access code 7092917.

Note Regarding Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

CAD, or Cash Flow, is a non-GAAP measure used by the Company to assess its performance, as well as its ability to sustain and increase quarterly distributions. A number of CODI's businesses have seasonal earnings patterns. Accordingly, the Company believes that the most appropriate measure of its performance is over a trailing or expected 12-month period. We have reconciled CAD, or Cash Flow, to Net Income and Cash Flow from Operating Activities on the attached schedules. We consider Net Income and Cash Flow from Operating Activities to be the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures to CAD, or Cash Flow.

About Compass Diversified Holdings ("CODI")

CODI owns and manages a diverse family of established North American middle market businesses. Each of its current subsidiaries is a leader in its niche market.

CODI maintains controlling ownership interests in each of its subsidiaries in order to maximize its ability to impact long term cash flow generation and value. The Company provides both debt and equity capital for its subsidiaries, contributing to their financial and operating flexibility. CODI utilizes the cash flows generated by its subsidiaries to invest in the long-term growth of the Company and to make cash distributions to its shareholders.

Our ten majority-owned subsidiaries are engaged in the following lines of business:

- The design and marketing of purpose-built tactical apparel and gear serving a wide range of global customers (5.11);
- The manufacture of quick-turn, small-run and production rigid printed circuit boards (Advanced Circuits);
- The manufacture of engineered magnetic solutions for a wide range of specialty applications and end-markets (Arnold Magnetic Technologies);
- Environmental services for a variety of contaminated materials including soils, dredged material, hazardous waste and drill cuttings (Clean Earth);
- The design, manufacture and marketing of airguns, archery products, optics and related accessories (Crosman);
- The design and marketing of wearable baby carriers, strollers and related products (Ergobaby);
- The design and manufacture of custom molded protective foam solutions and OEM components (Foam Fabricators);
- · The design and manufacture of premium home and gun safes (Liberty Safe);

- · The manufacture and marketing of branded, hemp-based food products (Manitoba Harvest); and
- The manufacture and marketing of portable food warming fuels and creative ambience solutions for the hospitality and consumer markets (**Sterno Products**).

This press release may contain certain forward-looking statements, including statements with regard to the future performance of CODI. Words such as "believes," "expects," "projects," and "future" or similar expressions, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to the inherent uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. Certain factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements, and some of these factors are enumerated in the risk factor discussion in the Form 10-K filed by CODI with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2017 and other filings with the SEC. Except as required by law, CODI undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Compass Diversified Holdings Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

		une 30, 2018	December 31, 2017		
(in thousands)		(Unaudited)			
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	37,456	\$ 39,88		
Accounts receivable, net		272,707	215,10		
Inventories		300,263	246,92		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		37,656	24,89		
Total current assets		648,082	526,81		
Property, plant and equipment, net		212,610	173,08		
Goodwill and intangible assets, net		1,398,312	1,112,20		
Other non-current assets		12,292	8,19		
Total assets	\$	2,271,296	\$ 1,820,30		
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	221,844	\$ 191,41		
Due to related party		10,247	7,79		
Current portion, long-term debt		5,000	5,68		
Other current liabilities		4,749	7,30		
Total current liabilities		241,840	212,19		
Deferred income taxes		77,263	81,04		
Long-term debt		963,851	584,34		
Other non-current liabilities		18,310	16,71		
Total liabilities		1,301,264	894,30		
Stockholders' equity					
Total stockholders' equity attributable to Holdings		916,292	873,20		
Noncontrolling interest		53,740	52,79		
Total stockholders' equity		970,032	925,99		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,271,296	\$ 1,820,30		

Compass Diversified Holdings Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended				
(in thousands, except per share data)		June 30, 2018		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2018		June 30, 2017	
Net sales	\$	429,757	\$	307,381	\$	790,450	\$	597,373	
Cost of sales		279,075		197,661		513,657		393,320	
Gross profit		150,682		109,720		276,793		204,053	
Operating expenses:									
Selling, general and administrative expense		100,407		79,575		198,272		158,298	
Management fees		11,011		8,183		21,860		16,031	
Amortization expense		19,019		14,779		31,718		25,089	
Impairment expense		_		_		_		8,864	
Operating income (loss)		20,245		7,183		24,943		(4,229)	
Other income (expense):									
Interest expense, net		(13,580)		(8,418)		(19,766)		(15,554)	
Loss on investment		_		_		_		(5,620)	
Amortization of debt issuance costs		(953)		(1,003)		(2,051)		(1,936)	
Other income (expense), net		(2,205)		952		(3,586)		930	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		3,507		(1,286)	-	(460)		(26,409)	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		4,139		1,454		1,793		(2,194)	
Net loss from continuing operations		(632)		(2,740)		(2,253)		(24,215)	
Gain on sale of discontinued operations, net of tax		1,165		_		1,165		340	
Net income (loss)		533		(2,740)		(1,088)		(23,875)	
Less: Income from continuing operations attributable to noncontrolling interest	9	1,441		1,372		2,161		1,842	
Net loss attributable to Holdings	\$	(908)	\$	(4,112)	\$	(3,249)	\$	(25,717)	
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Basic income (loss) per common share attributable to Holdings									
Continuing operations	\$	(0.12)	\$	(0.53)	\$	(0.20)	\$	(1.14)	
Discontinued operations		0.02		_		0.02		0.01	
	\$	(0.10)	\$	(0.53)	\$	(0.18)	\$	(1.13)	
Basic weighted average number of common shares outstanding		59,900		59,900		59,900		59,900	
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Cash distributions declared per Trust common share	\$	0.36	\$	0.36	\$	0.72	\$	0.72	

Compass Diversified Holdings Summarized Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended						
(in thousands)	June 30, 2018			June 30, 2017			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	35,312	\$	35,868			
Net cash used in investing activities		(454,715)		(44,386)			
Net cash provided by financing activities		415,358		8,532			
Effect of foreign currency on cash		1,616		(499)			
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(2,429)		(485)			
Cash and cash equivalents — beginning of period		39,885		39,772			
Cash and cash equivalents — end of period	\$	37,456	\$	39,287			

Compass Diversified Holdings Condensed Consolidated Table of Cash Flows Available for Distribution and Reinvestment (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended			
(in thousands)	June	e 30, 2018		June 30, 2017	June	30, 2018	Jı	ıne 30, 2017	
Net income (loss)	\$	533	\$	(2,740)	\$	(1,088)	\$	(23,875)	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:									
Depreciation and amortization		34,198		31,187		57,131		62,582	
Impairment expense		_		_		_		8,864	
Gain on sale of businesses, net		(1,165)		_		(1,165)		(340)	
Amortization of debt issuance costs and original issue discount		971		1,261		2,324		2,460	
Unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives		(999)		1,497		(3,900)		1,268	
Loss on investment in FOX		_		_		_		5,620	
Noncontrolling stockholder charges		2,614		1,798		5,165		3,250	
Provision for loss on receivables		(230)		9		98		3,327	
Other		312		384		135		704	
Deferred taxes		1,069		(4,305)		(3,242)		(11,940)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		(8,634)		8,191		(20,146)		(16,052)	
let cash provided by (used in) operating activities		28,669		37,282		35,312		35,868	
Plus:									
Unused fee on revolving credit facility		403		696		855		1,473	
Successful acquisition costs		158		1,473		2,347		1,473	
Integration services fee (1)		938		875		1,594		1,750	
Realized loss from foreign currency effect (2)		908		_		2,247		_	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		8,634		_		20,146		16,052	
Other		1,073		_		791		_	
Less:									
Maintenance capital expenditures (3)		8,296		4,338		14,268		9,068	
Payment of interest rate swap		380		1,026		1,086		2,115	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		_		8,191		_		_	
Realized gain from foreign currency effect (2)		_		1,260		_		1,650	
Preferred share distributions		1,812		_		3,625		_	
Other (4)		_		8		_		3,366	
Estimated cash flow available for distribution and reinvestment	\$	30,295	\$	25,503	\$	44,313	\$	40,417	
Distribution paid in April 2018/ 2017	\$	_	\$	_	\$	21,564	\$	21,564	
Distribution paid in July 2018/ 2017		21,564		21,564		21,564		21,564	
	\$	21,564	\$	21,564	\$	43,128	\$	43,128	

⁽¹⁾ Represents fees paid by newly acquired companies to the Manager for integration services performed during the first year of ownership, payable quarterly.

⁽²⁾ Reflects the foreign currency transaction gain/ loss resulting from the Canadian dollar intercompany loans issued to Manitoba Harvest.

Excludes growth capital expenditures of approximately \$8.3 million and \$6.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and \$14.5 million and \$10.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes amounts for the establishment of additional accounts receivable reserves related to a retail customer who filed bankruptcy during the first and third quarter of 2017.