

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC
Form 8-K
October 31, 2018

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)

October 30, 2018

The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-14064
(Commission File Number)

11-2408943
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10153
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

212-572-4200

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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))

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.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 31, 2018, The Estée Lauder Companies Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2018. The release includes the Company's estimates related to its fiscal 2019 second quarter and full year net sales and diluted net earnings per common share. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 30, 2018, the Company declared a quarterly dividend in the amount of \$.43 per share on the Company's Class A and Class B Common Stock. The dividend is payable in cash on December 17, 2018 to stockholders of record at the close of business on November 30, 2018. On October 31, 2018, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to another 40.0 million shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock, in addition to approximately 3.7 million shares of Class A Common Stock remaining, as of October 24, 2018, from a prior repurchase authorization.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|-------------|--|
| 99.1 | <u>Press Release, dated October 31, 2018, of The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.</u> |

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.

THE ESTÉE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.

Date: October 31, 2018

By:

/s/ Tracey T. Travis
Tracey T. Travis
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)