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): November 5, 2013

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

1-9973 (Commission File Number) **36-3352497** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1400 Toastmaster Drive, Elgin, Illinois (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 60120 (Zip Code)

(847) 741-3300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Dere-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 November 5, 2013, The Middleby Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the third quarter ended September 28, 2013. A copy of that press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the exhibit hereto) shall not be considered "filed" under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into future filings by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, unless the Company expressly sets forth in such future filing that such information is to be considered "filed" or incorporated by reference therein.

Item 9.01.	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
	(c) Exhibits.
Exhibit No.	Description
Exhibit 99.1	The Middleby Corporation press release dated November 5, 2013.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

Dated: November 5, 2013

By: /s/ Timothy J. FitzGerald

Timothy J. FitzGerald Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 99.1 The Middleby Corporation press release dated November 5, 2013.

The Middleby Corporation Reports Third Quarter Results

ELGIN, Ill.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--November 5, 2013--The Middleby Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDD), a leading worldwide manufacturer of equipment for the commercial foodservice, food processing and residential kitchen equipment industries, today reported net sales and earnings for the third quarter ended September 28, 2013. Net earnings for the third quarter were \$40,942,000 or \$2.18 per share on net sales of \$360,013,000 as compared to the prior year third quarter net earnings of \$29,769,000 or \$1.60 per share on net sales of \$257,699,000.

2013 Third Quarter Financial Highlights

- Net sales increased 39.7% in the third quarter of 2013 as compared to the prior year third quarter. Sales from acquisitions amounted to \$71.8 million or 27.9% during the quarter. Excluding the impact of acquisitions, sales increased 11.8% during the third quarter.
- Net sales at the company's Commercial Foodservice Equipment Group increased 16.2% in the third quarter of 2013 as compared to the prior year third quarter. During fiscal 2012, the company completed the acquisition of Nieco. Excluding the impact of this acquisition, net sales increased by 11.7%.
- Net sales at the company's Food Processing Equipment Group increased 20.5% in the third quarter of 2013 as compared to the prior year third quarter. During fiscal 2012, the company completed the acquisition of Stewart Systems. Excluding the impact of this acquisition, net sales increased by 12.2% in the third quarter.
- Net sales at the company's Residential Kitchen Equipment Group, which was established on December 31, 2012 in conjunction with the acquisition of Viking, were \$58.0 million.
- Gross profit increased to \$141.4 million in the third quarter of 2013 from \$100.4 million in the prior year third quarter, reflecting impact of higher sales volumes. The gross margin
 rate increased from 39.0% in the third quarter of 2012 to 39.3% in the third quarter of 2013. Increased margins at the commercial foodservice segment offset lower margins of
 newly acquired food processing and Viking businesses.
- Operating income increased 42.4% to \$67.5 million in the third quarter of 2013 from \$47.4 million in the prior year third quarter.
- Non-cash expenses included in operating income increased to \$11.9 million in the third quarter of 2013 as compared to \$9.7 million in the prior year third quarter. Non-cash expenses during the 2013 third quarter were comprised of \$4.2 million of depreciation, \$4.7 million of intangible amortization and \$3.0 million of non-cash share based compensation.
- Total debt at the end of the 2013 third quarter was reduced to \$537.4 million as compared to \$618.0 million at the end of the second quarter, as cash generated from operations were utilized to repay debt. The company's debt is financed primarily under its \$1 billion senior revolving credit facility, which expires in August 2017.

Selim A. Bassoul, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "In the third quarter, at our Commercial Foodservice Equipment Group, we realized continued growth with chain restaurant customers adopting our new innovative technologies resulting in improvements in the efficiency of restaurant operations. We also continued to realize growth in international markets as our customers expand restaurant operations in emerging markets."

Mr. Bassoul continued, "We also continued to realize revenue growth at our Food Processing Equipment Group as food processors continue to expand and modernize existing plant operations through investments in new equipment innovations. We also continue to develop new business opportunities with customers developing processing operations in emerging markets due to increasing demand for pre-cooked and pre-processed foods. In the fourth quarter of 2012 we realized sales growth of 30% due to certain large orders, and as a result will have a challenging 2013 fourth quarter comparison. However, we remain positive on the overall trends and prospects of this segment of our business."

Mr. Bassoul further commented, "At Viking, we continued to make progress on our integration initiatives. This is reflected in our continued improvement in EBITDA margins, which increased to over 18% in the third quarter and remain on track with our established profitability targets."

"At Viking, we made significant progress with initiatives related to changes in distribution and new product development. In conjunction with these efforts, we continued to integrate several former U.S. distributors into the Viking organization. Now over 50% of the domestic revenues are managed through Viking owned distribution. These distribution changes will allow us to control and enhance critical aspects of the sales, marketing and customer support processes. We expect to complete our reorganization of the domestic distribution channels in the upcoming quarters," said Mr. Bassoul. "We are also very excited about the significant pipeline of new Viking products and product enhancements scheduled for introduction in the fourth quarter. This includes a complete new lineup of ranges, cooktops, built-in refrigeration and ventilation."

Mr. Bassoul concluded, "We were also very pleased to recently announce the acquisition of Celfrost to add to our portfolio of Commercial Foodservice Equipment brands. With this acquisition, Middleby further strengthens its presence in the fast growing market of India and expands product offerings in India to include complementary cold side products alongside our cooking and warming brands. Celfrost has an extensive marketing and service network in India, including 15 brand centers that we will strategically leverage to support Middleby's entire portfolio of commercial foodservice equipment brands in the market."

Conference Call

A conference call will be held at 9:00 a.m. Central time on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 and can be accessed by dialing (877) 303-6993 and providing conference code 93864716# or through the investor relations section of The Middleby Corporation website at www.middleby.com. An audio replay of the call will be available approximately 2 hours after its completion and can be accessed by calling (855) 859-2056 and providing code 93864716#.

Statements in this press release or otherwise attributable to the Company regarding the Company's business which are not historical fact are forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Company cautions investors that such statements are estimates of future performance and are highly dependent upon a variety of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from such statements. Such factors include variability in financing costs; quarterly variations in operating results; dependence on key customers; international exposure; foreign exchange and political risks affecting international sales; changing market conditions; the impact of competitive products and pricing; the timely development and market acceptance of the Company's products; the availability and cost of raw materials; and other risks detailed herein and from time-to-time in the Company's SEC filings.

The Middleby Corporation is a global leader in the foodservice equipment industry. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services a broad line of equipment used for commercial food cooking, preparation and processing. The company's leading equipment brands serving the commercial foodservice industry include Anets®, Beech®, Blodgett®, Blodgett®, Blodgett Combi®, Blodgett Range®, Bloomfield®, Britannia®, Carter Hoffmann®, Celfrost®, CookTek®, CTX®, Doyon®, FriFri®, Giga®, Holman®, Houno®, IMC®, Jade®, Lang®, Lincat®, MagiKitch'n®, Middleby Marshall®, Nu-Vu®, PerfectFry®, Pitco Frialator®, Southbend®, Star®, Toastmaster®, TurboChef® and Wells®. The company's leading equipment brands serving the food processing industry include Alkar®, Armor Inox®, Auto-Bake®, Baker Thermal Solutions® (formerly Turkington), Cozzini®, Danfotech®, Drake®, Maurer-Atmos®, MP Equipment® and RapidPak®. The Middleby Corporation has been recognized by Forbes as one of the Best Small Companies every year since 2005, most recently in October 2011.

For more information about The Middleby Corporation and the company brands, please visit www.middleby.com.

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

(Amounts in 000's, Except Per Share Information)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended					
	3 rd Qtr, 2013			3 rd Qtr, 2012		3 rd Qtr, 2013		3 rd Qtr, 2012	
Net sales Cost of sales	\$	360,013 218,575	\$	257,699 157,254	\$	1,051,265 651,985	\$	746,562 456,818	
Gross profit		141,438		100,445		399,280		289,744	
Selling & distribution expenses General & administrative expenses		41,769 32,181		25,965 27,051		116,559 112,713		79,414 80,903	
Income from operations		67,488		47,429		170,008		129,427	
Interest expense and deferred financing amortization, net Other expense, net		4,249 1,394		2,988 2,765		11,729 1,998		7,046 3,652	
Earnings before income taxes		61,845		41,676		156,281		118,729	
Provision for income taxes		20,903		11,907		52,274		35,820	
Net earnings	\$	40,942	\$	29,769	\$	104,007	\$	82,909	
Net earnings per share:									
Basic	\$	2.19	\$	1.63	\$	5.60	\$	4.55	
Diluted	\$	2.18	\$	1.60	\$	5.58	\$	4.47	
Weighted average number shares:									
Basic		18,726		18,296		18,569		18,237	
Diluted		18,742		18,580		18,655		18,539	
Comprehensive income	\$	47,123	\$	35,956	\$	103,375	\$	87,642	

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Amounts in 000's) (Unaudited)

	Sep 28, 2013			Dec 29, 2012		
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	29,355	\$	34,366		
Accounts receivable, net		195,477		162,230		
Inventories, net		209,758		153,490		
Prepaid expenses and other		31,832		19,151		
Prepaid taxes		3,323		-		
Current deferred tax assets		44,403		43,365		
Total current assets		514,148		412,602		
Property, plant and equipment, net		117,739		63,886		
Goodwill		635,718		526,011		
Other intangibles		419,951		233,341		
Other assets	12,932			8,440		
Total assets	\$	1,700,488	\$	1,244,280		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$	778	\$	1,850		
Accounts payable		94,557		69,653		
Accrued expenses		187,198		170,932		
Total current liabilities		282,533		242,435		
Long-term debt		536,608		258,220		
Long-term deferred tax liability		45,065		44,838		
Other non-current liabilities		54,779		48,760		
Stockholders' equity		781,503		650,027		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	1,700,488	\$	1,244,280		

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