

Covidien plc  
Form 8-K  
January 20, 2010

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities and Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 20, 2010**

**COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**Ireland**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
  
**of Incorporation)**

**001-33259**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**98-0624794**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**Cherrywood Business Park**

**Block G, First Floor**

**Loughlinstown, Co.**

**Dublin, Ireland**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)**

**+353 (1) 439-3000**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

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- ..  Pre-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 January 20, 2010, Covidien plc (the Company ) issued a press release announcing financial results for the quarter ended December 25, 2009. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

In addition, the Company has prepared certain historical quarterly and annual sales information in a format consistent with our current reporting structure in order to assist investors. This information is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this report and includes:

Segment and Geographic sales for the quarters ended December 26, 2008 and December 28, 2007

Segment and Geographic sales for the quarters ended March 27, 2009 and March 28, 2008

Segment and Geographic sales for the quarters ended June 26, 2009 and June 27, 2008

Segment and Geographic sales for the quarters ended September 25, 2009 and September 26, 2008

Segment and Geographic sales for the fiscal years ended September 25, 2009 and September 26, 2008

Select Product Line Sales for the quarters ended December 26, 2008 and December 28, 2007

Select Product Line Sales for the quarters ended March 27, 2009 and March 28, 2008

Select Product Line Sales for the quarters ended June 26, 2009 and June 27, 2008

Select Product Line Sales for the quarters ended September 25, 2009 and September 26, 2008

Select Product Line Sales for the fiscal years ended September 25, 2009 and September 26, 2008

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(d) Exhibits*

99.1 Press Release dated January 20, 2010

99.2 Financial Information

**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.

COVIDIEN PLC

By: /s/ **RICHARD G. BROWN, JR.**  
**Richard G. Brown, Jr.**  
**Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and**  
**Corporate Controller**

Date: January 20, 2010

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Exhibit Name</b>
99.1	<b>Press Release dated January 20, 2010</b>
99.2	<b>Financial Information</b>