

Covidien plc
Form 8-K
February 01, 2013

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): February 1, 2013

COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Ireland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 20 On Hatch, Lower Hatch Street Dublin 2, Ireland (Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code) +353 (1) 438-1700 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	001-33259 (Commission File Number)	98-0624794 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 1, 2013, Covidien plc (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the initial filing by Mallinckrodt plc of a Form 10 Registration Statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the Company's previously announced plan to spin off its Pharmaceuticals business. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated February 1, 2013

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 PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

By: /s/ John W. Kapples
John W. Kapples
Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: February 1, 2013

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Exhibit Name
99.1	Press release dated February 1, 2013