

STONERIDGE INC
Form 8-K
November 02, 2007

**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 29, 2007

Commission file number: 001-13337

STONERIDGE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio

34-1598949

*(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)*

*(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)*

9400 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio

44484

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(330) 856-2443

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))
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ITEM 2.05 Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

Because future volume commitments were insufficient to support the cost bases, on October 29, 2007, Stoneridge Inc. s (the Company) Board of Directors approved restructuring initiatives to improve the Company s manufacturing efficiency and cost position by ceasing manufacturing operations at its Sarasota, Florida and Mitcheldean, England locations. The Company will begin these initiatives in the fourth quarter of 2007 and expects to be substantially complete by December 31, 2008. The Company anticipates recognizing both total pre-tax costs and incurring cash expenditures of approximately \$17.4 million or less associated with these restructuring initiatives. These expected restructuring related costs are comprised of one-time termination benefits of \$5.2 million, contract termination costs of \$1.0 million and other associated costs of \$11.2 million. Related 2007 fourth quarter expenses, primarily comprised of one-time termination benefits, are expected to result in pre-tax charges of \$1.0 million. As part of these restructuring initiatives, the Company also intends to sell an owned facility.

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.

Stoneridge, Inc.

Date: November 2, 2007

/s/ George E. Strickler

George E. Strickler, Executive Vice President, Chief
Financial Officer
and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)