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## 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): September 12, 2013

#### COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Ireland001-33259(State or other Jurisdiction(Commissionof Incorporation)File Number)20 On Hatch, Lower Hatch StreetDublin 2, Ireland(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

98-0624794 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +353 (1) 438-1700

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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.

As previously disclosed, on June 28, 2013, the Company completed the separation of its Pharmaceuticals business from Covidien. Subsequent to the separation, the historical results of the Company's Pharmaceuticals segment are now presented as discontinued operations. In order to assist investors, the Company has prepared a revised Consolidated Statement of Income and Non-GAAP Reconciliation for fiscal 2009 reflecting the Company's Pharmaceuticals segment as discontinued operations.

Exhibit 99.1 contains certain financial measures, including adjusted gross margin, adjusted operating income, adjusted operating margin and adjusted earnings per share, that are considered non-GAAP financial measures under applicable SEC rules and regulations. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered supplemental to, and not a substitute for, financial information prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The definition of these non-GAAP financial measures may differ from similarly titled measures used by others. The non-GAAP financial measures used adjust for specified items that can be highly variable or difficult to predict. The Company generally uses these non-GAAP financial measures to facilitate management's financial and operational decision-making, including evaluation of Covidien's historical operating results, comparison to competitors' operating results and determination of management incentive compensation. These non-GAAP financial measures reflect an additional way of viewing aspects of the Company's operations that, when viewed with GAAP results and the reconciliations to corresponding GAAP financial measures, may provide a more complete understanding of factors and trends affecting the Company's business.

Because non-GAAP financial measures exclude the effect of items that will increase or decrease the Company's reported results of operations, management strongly encourages investors to review the Company's consolidated financial statements and publicly filed reports in their entirety. A reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is included in the tables furnished as part of Exhibit 99.1. Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

### (d) Exhibits

### 99.1 Covidien Revised Financial Information

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### 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/ Richard G. Brown, Jr. Richard G. Brown, Jr. Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Corporate Controller

Date: September 12, 2013

# EXHIBIT INDEX

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