### 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 the earliest event reported) **November 7, 2014** 

# Kronos Worldwide, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(State o	<b>Delaware</b> or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>1-31763</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>76-0294959</b> (IRS Employer Identification No.)				
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5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)			<b>75240-2697</b> (Zip Code)				
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 233-1700							
	(Former nar	me or former address, if changed since last	report.)				
	ppropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is in see General Instruction A.2):	ntended to simultaneously satisfy the filing	g obligation of the registrant under any of the following				
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425	under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425					
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)						
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))						
	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.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The registrant hereby furnishes the information set forth in the press release issued on November 7, 2014, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information, including the exhibit, the registrant furnishes in this report is not deemed "filed" for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Registration statements or other documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission shall not incorporate this information by reference, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

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Press release dated November 7, 2014 issued by the registrant.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

KRONOS WORLDWIDE, INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Gregory M. Swalwell

Date: November 7, 2014 Gregory M. Swalwell, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Press release dated November 7, 2014 issued by the registrant.

Kronos Worldwide, Inc.

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**News Release** 

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



#### KRONOS WORLDWIDE REPORTS THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

DALLAS, TEXAS...November 7, 2014... Kronos Worldwide, Inc. (NYSE:KRO) today reported net income for the third quarter of 2014 of \$31.9 million, or \$.28 per share, compared to a net loss of \$29.9 million, or \$.26 per share, in the third quarter of 2013. For the first nine months of 2014, Kronos Worldwide reported net income of \$79.3 million, or \$.68 per share, compared to a net loss of \$104.9 million, or \$.91 per share in the first nine months of 2013. Comparability of the Company's results for the third quarter periods was impacted by improved income from operations in 2014, principally due to lower raw materials costs and higher production and sales volumes, partially offset by lower average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices in 2014, as discussed further below. Comparability of the year-to-date periods was impacted by improved income from operations in 2014, principally due to lower raw materials costs and higher production volumes, partially offset by lower average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices and lower sales volumes in 2014. Comparability of the Company's results was also impacted by a litigation settlement charge in the third quarter of 2013.

Net sales of \$414.8 million in the third quarter of 2014 were \$4.3 million, or 1%, lower than in the third quarter of 2013. Net sales of \$1,278.4 million in the first nine months of 2014 were \$85.4 million, or 6%, lower than in the first nine months of 2013. Net sales decreased in the third quarter of 2014 as compared to the third quarter of 2013 primarily due to lower average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices, partially offset by higher sales volumes. Net sales decreased in the first nine months of 2014 as compared to the same prior year period primarily due to lower average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices and lower sales volumes. The Company's average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices were 6% lower in the third quarter of 2014 as compared to the third quarter of 2013, and were 5% lower in the year-to-date period. The Company's average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices at the end of the third quarter of 2014 were 7% lower than at the end of 2013, with most of the decline occurring in the first half of the year and with lower prices in most major markets, most notably in certain export markets. TiO<sub>2</sub> sales volumes in the third quarter of 2014 were approximately 4% higher as compared to the third quarter of 2013 due to higher sales primarily in certain export and U.S. markets. TiO<sub>2</sub> sales volumes in the first nine months of 2014 were approximately 4% lower as compared to the same period in 2013 primarily due to lower sales in certain export markets. Fluctuations in currency exchange rates also impacted net sales, increasing net sales by approximately \$3 million in the third quarter and approximately \$23 million in the first nine months of 2014. The table at the end of this press release shows how each of these items impacted the overall decrease in sales.

The Company's TiO<sub>2</sub> segment profit (see description of non-GAAP information below) in the third quarter of 2014 was \$50.5 million compared to segment profit of \$2.4 million in the third quarter of 2013. For the year-to-date period, the Company's segment profit was \$126.2 million compared with a segment loss of \$85.3 million in the first nine months of 2013. Segment profit improved in 2014 due to the net effects of lower raw materials and other production costs, lower average TiO<sub>2</sub> selling prices, higher production volumes, and lower sales volumes in the year-to-date period. Kronos' TiO<sub>2</sub> production volumes were 18% higher in the third quarter of 2014 as compared to the third quarter of 2013, and were 8% higher in the 2014 year-to-date period. Our production capacity utilization rates in the first nine months of 2014, as well as the third quarter of 2013, were impacted by the lockout at the Canadian production facility that began in late June 2013 and ended in December 2013, as restart of production at the facility did not begin until February 2014. We operated our production facilities at overall average capacity utilization rates of 94% in the first nine months of 2014 (90%, 97% and 96% in each of the first, second and third quarters, respectively), primarily as a result of the restart of production at our Canadian facility. Segment profit comparisons were also impacted by the effects of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, which increased segment profit by approximately \$8 million in the third quarter and by approximately \$28 million in the year-to-date period, respectively.

Corporate expense in the third quarter of 2013 includes a pre-tax litigation settlement charge of \$35 million (\$22.5 million, or \$.19 per share, net of income tax benefit).

In February 2013, we voluntarily prepaid an aggregate \$290 million principal amount under our prior term loan. In July 2013, we voluntarily prepaid the remaining \$100 million principal amount outstanding under our term loan, using \$50 million of our cash on hand as well as borrowings of \$50 million under our revolving North American credit facility. As a result of such prepayments, the Company's results in 2013 include a first quarter pre-tax charge of \$6.6 million (\$4.3 million, or \$.04 per share, net of income tax benefit) and a third quarter pre-tax charge of \$2.3 million (\$1.5 million, or \$.01 per share, net of income tax benefit), consisting of the write-off of unamortized original issue discount and deferred financing costs associated with such prepayments.

As previously reported, the Company's income tax expense in the first nine months of 2014 includes a second quarter aggregate non-cash income tax benefit of \$5.7 million (\$.05 per share) related to a net reduction in our reserve for uncertain tax positions.

The statements in this release relating to matters that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements that represent management's beliefs and assumptions based on currently available information. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, it cannot give any assurances that these expectations will prove to be correct. Such statements by their nature involve substantial risks and uncertainties that could significantly impact expected results, and actual future results could differ materially from those described in such forward-looking statements. While it is not possible to identify all factors, the Company continues to face many risks and uncertainties. The factors that could cause actual future results to differ materially include, but are not limited to, the following:

Future supply and demand for our products
The extent of the dependence of certain of our businesses on certain market sectors
The cyclicality of our business
Customer and producer inventory levels
Unexpected or earlier-than-expected industry capacity expansion
Changes in raw material and other operating costs (such as ore and energy costs)
Changes in the availability of raw materials (such as ore)
General global economic and political conditions (such as changes in the level of gross domestic product in various regions of the world and the
impact of such changes on demand for TiO <sub>2</sub> )
Competitive products and substitute products
Customer and competitor strategies
Potential consolidation of our competitors
Potential consolidation of our customers
The impact of pricing and production decisions
Competitive technology positions
The introduction of trade barriers
Possible disruption of our business, or increases in our cost of doing business, resulting from terrorist activities or global conflicts
Fluctuations in currency exchange rates (such as changes in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and each of the euro, the Norwegian
krone and the Canadian dollar), or possible disruptions to our business resulting from potential instability resulting from uncertainties associated with the euro
Operating interruptions (including, but not limited to, labor disputes, leaks, natural disasters, fires, explosions, unscheduled or unplanned
downtime, transportation interruptions and cyber attacks)
Our ability to renew or refinance credit facilities
Our ability to maintain sufficient liquidity
The ultimate outcome of income tax audits, tax settlement initiatives or other tax matters
Our ability to utilize income tax attributes, the benefits of which have been recognized under the more-likely-than-not recognition criteria
Environmental matters (such as those requiring compliance with emission and discharge standards for existing and new facilities)
Government laws and regulations and possible changes therein
The ultimate resolution of pending litigation
Possible future litigation.

Should one or more of these risks materialize (or the consequences of such a development worsen), or should the underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results could differ materially from those forecasted or expected. The Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement whether as a result of changes in information, future events or otherwise.

In an effort to provide investors with additional information regarding the Company's results of operations as determined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), the Company has disclosed certain non-GAAP information, which the Company believes provides useful information to investors:

The Company discloses segment profit, which is used by the Company's management to assess the performance of the Company's TiO<sub>2</sub> operations. The Company believes disclosure of segment profit provides useful information to investors because it allows investors to analyze the performance of the Company's TiO<sub>2</sub> operations in the same way that the Company's management assesses performance. The Company defines segment profit as income before income taxes, interest expense and certain general corporate items. Corporate items excluded from the determination of segment profit include corporate expense and interest income not attributable to the Company's TiO<sub>2</sub> operations.

Kronos Worldwide, Inc. is a major international producer of titanium dioxide products.

# KRONOS WORLDWIDE, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(In millions, except per share and metric ton data)
(Unaudited)

		Three months ended September 30,				Nine months ended September 30,			
	<u> </u>	2013		2014		2013		2014	
Net sales	\$	419.1	\$	414.8	\$	1,363.8	\$	1,278.4	
Cost of sales		371.9		319.1		1,303.1		1,008.4	
Gross margin		47.2		95.7		60.7		270.0	
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Selling, general and administrative expense		44.7		47.7		143.4		145.9	
Other operating income (expense):									
Currency transactions, net		(.3)		2.9		(1.4)		2.8	
Other income (expense), net		.1		(.4)		(1.4)		(.8)	
Corporate expense	_	(39.3)		(2.6)		(46.1)		(7.9)	
Income (loss) from operations		(37.0)		47.9		(131.6)		118.2	
Other income (expense):									
Trade interest income		.1		_		.2		.1	
Other interest and dividend income		.2		.2		.7		.6	
Loss on prepayment of debt		(2.3)		_		(8.9)		_	
Interest expense		(4.5)		(3.9)		(16.6)		(12.6)	
Income (loss) before income taxes		(43.5)		44.2		(156.2)		106.3	
Income tax expense (benefit)		(13.6)		12.3		(51.3)		27.0	
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Net income (loss)	<u>\$</u>	(29.9)	\$	31.9	\$	(104.9)	3	79.3	
Net income (loss) per basic and diluted share	<u>\$</u>	(.26)	\$	.28	\$	(.91)	\$	.68	
Weighted-average shares used in the									
calculation of net income per share		115.9		115.9		115.9		115.9	
TiO <sub>2</sub> data - metric tons in thousands:									
Sales volumes		121		125		397		380	
Production volumes		113		134		359		388	
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# KRONOS WORLDWIDE, INC. RECONCILIATION OF SEGMENT PROFIT TO INCOME FROM OPERATIONS (In millions) (Unaudited)

		Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,			
	<u> </u>	2013		2014		2013		2014
Segment profit (loss)	\$	2.4	\$	50.5	\$	(85.3)	\$	126.2
Adjustments:								
Trade interest income		(.1)		-		(.2)		(.1)
Corporate expense		(39.3)		(2.6)		(46.1)		(7.9)
Income (loss) from operations	\$	(37.0)	\$	47.9	\$	(131.6)	\$	118.2

## IMPACT OF PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN SALES (Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30, 2014 vs. 2013	Nine months ended September 30, 2014 vs. 2013			
Percentage change in sales:					
TiO <sub>2</sub> product pricing	(6)%	(5)%			
TiO <sub>2</sub> sales volume	4	(4)			
TiO <sub>2</sub> product mix	-	1			
Changes in currency exchange rates	1	2			
Total	<u>(1)</u> %	(6)%			