

ADAPTEC INC
Form 8-K
October 31, 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 31, 2007**

Adaptec, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-15071

(Commission File Number)

94-2748530

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

691 S. Milpitas Blvd.
Milpitas, California 95035

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

(408) 945-8600

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 31, 2007, Adaptec, Inc. announced its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2007. A copy of Adaptec's press release announcing these financial results is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

To supplement its condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the Company's earnings release contains non-GAAP financial measures that exclude certain expenses, gains and losses. The Company believes that the use of non-GAAP financial measures provides useful information to investors to gain an overall understanding of its current financial performance and its prospects for the future. Specifically, the Company believes the non-GAAP results provide useful information to both management and investors by excluding certain expenses, gains and losses that the Company believes are not indicative of its core operating results. In addition, non-GAAP financial measures are used by management for budgeting and forecasting as well as subsequently measuring the Company's performance, and the Company believes that it is providing investors with financial measures that most closely align to its internal measurement processes. The Company also believes, based on feedback provided to the Company during its earnings calls' Q&A sessions and discussions with the investment community, that the non-GAAP financial measures it provides are necessary to allow the investment community to construct their valuation models to better align its results and projections with its competitors and market sector, as there is significant variability and unpredictability across companies with respect to certain expenses, gains and losses.

The non-GAAP financial information is presented using consistent methodology from quarter-to-quarter and year-to-year. These measures should be considered in addition to results prepared in accordance with GAAP, but should not be considered a substitute for or superior to GAAP results. The non-GAAP financial measures presented by the Company may be different than the non-GAAP financial measures presented by other companies. In addition, these non-GAAP financial measures are not based on any comprehensive set of accounting rules or principles. The Company believes that non-GAAP financial measures have limitations in that they do not reflect all of the amounts associated with the Company's results of operations as determined in accordance with GAAP and that these measures should only be used to evaluate the Company's results of operations in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP financial measures.

The Company excludes the following expenses, gains and losses from its non-GAAP financial measures, when applicable:

Stock-based compensation expense:

Stock-based compensation expense consists of expenses recorded under SFAS 123(R), "*Share-Based Payment*," in connection with stock awards such as stock options, restricted stock awards and restricted stock units granted under the Company's equity incentive plans and shares issued pursuant to the Company's employee stock purchase plan. The Company excludes stock-based compensation expense from non-GAAP financial measures because it is a non-cash measurement that does not reflect the Company's ongoing business; the Company believes that the provision of non-GAAP information that excludes stock-based compensation improves the ability of investors to compare its period-over-period operating results, as there is significant variability and unpredictability across companies with respect to this expense.

Management incentive program:

The Company excludes expenses associated with the management incentive program, which were limited cash payments made to selected members of management of an acquired company, as these payments were instituted as a component of the acquisition process and do not reflect the Company's ongoing business.

Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets:

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Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets primarily relate to core and existing technologies, patents, a trade name and customer relationships that were acquired from prior acquisitions. The Company excludes the amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets because it does not reflect the Company's ongoing business and it does not have a direct correlation to the operation of the Company's business. In addition, in accordance with GAAP, the Company generally recognizes expenses for internally-developed intangible assets as they are incurred, notwithstanding the potential future benefit such assets may provide. Unlike internally-developed intangible assets, however, and also in accordance with GAAP, the Company generally capitalizes the cost of acquired intangible assets and recognizes that cost as an expense over the useful lives of the assets acquired (other than goodwill, which is not amortized, and acquired in-process technology, which is expensed immediately, as required under GAAP). As a result of their GAAP treatment, there is an inherent lack of comparability between the financial performance of internally-developed intangible assets and acquired intangible assets. Accordingly, the Company believes it is useful to provide, as a supplement to its GAAP operating results, a non-GAAP financial measure that excludes the amortization of acquired intangible assets in order to enhance the period-over-period comparison of its operating results, as there is significant variability and unpredictability across companies with respect to this expense.

Restructuring charges and other charges (gains):

Restructuring charges primarily relate to activities engaged in by the Company's management to simplify its infrastructure. Other charges (gains) primarily relate to the impairment of acquisition-related intangible assets from prior acquisitions and sale of long-lived assets. Restructuring charges and other charges (gains) are excluded from non-GAAP financial measures because they are not considered core operating activities and the occurrence of such costs is infrequent. Although the Company has engaged in various restructuring activities over the past several years, each has been a discrete, extraordinary event based on a unique set of business objectives. The Company does not engage in restructuring activities on a regular basis or in the ordinary course of business. As such, the Company believes it is appropriate to exclude restructuring charges from its non-GAAP financial measures, as it enhances the ability of investors to compare the Company's period-over-period operating results.

Income taxes:

Incremental income taxes associated with certain non-GAAP items.

The information in this report shall not be treated as "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as expressly stated by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

The exhibit listed below is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 hereof and shall not be deemed "filed" under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

99.1 Press release issued by Adaptec, Inc. on October 31, 2007.

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.

Adaptec, Inc.

By: /s/ CHRISTOPHER G. O'MEARA

Christopher G. O'Meara
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

October 31, 2007

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit
Number

Description of Exhibit

99.1*

Press release issued by Adaptec, Inc. on October 31, 2007. Also provided in PDF format as a courtesy.

* This exhibit is intended to be furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.