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Form 8-K

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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

July 28, 2010
Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its charter)

Virginia
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-01361
(Commission File Number)

22-1318955
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

7401 South Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60629
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

773-838-3400
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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.

On July 28, 2010, Tootsie Roll Industries, Inc. issued a press release (the "release") announcing its results of operations and financial condition for the second quarter ended July 3, 2010. A copy of the release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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\$17,556,000 compared to \$18,658,000 in first half 2009, and net earnings per share were \$.31 and \$.32 in first half 2010 and 2009, respectively, a decrease of \$.01 per share or 3%.

Mr. Gordon said, "Second quarter 2010 net sales were adversely affected by the timing of certain customer sales in second and third quarter 2010. Second quarter 2010 net earnings were significantly impacted by higher ingredient costs, primarily sugar, as well as increases in distribution costs relating to freight and delivery to customers. However, second quarter 2010 net earnings did benefit from a lower effective income tax rate. The Company's second quarter 2010 earnings per share benefited from common stock purchases in the open market resulting in fewer shares outstanding.

First half 2010 net sales principally benefited from effective marketing and sales programs. Although first half 2010 net sales were adversely affected by the timing of sales in the second and third quarter 2010 as discussed above, first half 2010 sales did benefit from the timing of certain customer sales in fourth quarter 2009 and first quarter 2010. First half 2010 net earnings benefited from higher net sales as well as a lower effective income tax rate as discussed above, however, first half 2010 results were also adversely affected by higher ingredient and distribution costs which are discussed above. First half 2010 earnings per share benefited from common stock purchases and fewer outstanding shares."

TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES, INC. CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF NET SALES & NET EARNINGS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED JULY 3, 2010 & JULY 4, 2009

| | SECOND QUARTER ENDED | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| Net Product Sales | \$ 105,026,000 | \$ 107,812,000 |
| Net Earnings | \$ 8,471,000 | \$ 10,338,000 |
| Net Earnings Per Share * | \$.15 | \$.18 |
| Average Shares Outstanding * | 57,105,000 | 57,910,000 |
| | SIX MONTHS ENDED | |
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| Net Product Sales | \$ 208,270,000 | \$ 201,866,000 |
| Net Earnings | \$ 17,556,000 | \$ 18,658,000 |
| Net Earnings Per Share * | \$.31 | \$.32 |
| Average Shares Outstanding * | 57,197,000 | 58,059,000 |

*Based on average shares outstanding adjusted for 3% stock dividends distributed April 8, 2010 and April 9, 2009.