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: March 10, 2016 (Date of earliest event reported)

Zumiez Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

WA

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-51300 (Commission File Number) 91-1040022 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

98036

4001 204th Street SW, Lynnwood, WA

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

4255511500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(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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□ 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 March 10, 2016, Zumiez Inc. issued a press release (the "Press Release") reporting its financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 30, 2016, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and the contents of which are incorporated herein by this reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information contained in this report and the Press Release shall not be 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, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Zumiez Inc. dated March 10, 2016

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.

Dated: March 10, 2016

ZUMIEZ INC.

By: <u>/s/ Richard M. Brooks</u> Richard M. Brooks *Chief Executive Officer*

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Exhibit No. 99.1 **Description**

Press Release of Zumiez Inc. dated March 10, 2016

Zumiez Inc. Announces Fiscal 2015 Fourth Quarter and Full Year Results

LYNNWOOD, WA -- (Marketwired - March 10, 2016) - Zumiez Inc. (NASDAQ: ZUMZ) today reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

Total net sales for the fourth quarter ended January 30, 2016 (13 weeks) decreased 6.2% to \$242.4 million from \$258.6 million in the quarter ended January 31, 2015 (13 weeks). Comparable sales for the 13-week period ended January 30, 2016 decreased 9.5% compared to an 8.3% increase for the 13-week period ended January 31, 2015. Net income in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015 decreased 24.9% to \$13.1 million, or \$0.50 per diluted share, from net income of \$17.5 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of the prior fiscal year. The results for fiscal 2015 include charges of \$1.2 million, or approximately \$0.03 per diluted share for exit costs associated with the shutdown of the Company's fulfillment facility in Edwardsville, Kansas. The results for fiscal 2014 include Blue Tomato acquisition charges of \$6.9 million, or approximately \$0.20 per diluted share, including \$6.4 million for the accrual of contingent earn-out payments and \$0.5 million for the amortization of intangible assets.

Total net sales for fiscal 2015 (52 weeks) decreased 0.9% to \$804.2 million from \$811.6 million in fiscal 2014 (52 weeks). Comparable sales for the 52-week period ended January 30, 2016 decreased 5.3% compared to a 4.6% increase for the 52-week period ended January 31, 2015. Net income in fiscal 2015 decreased 33.4% to \$28.8 million, or \$1.04 per diluted share compared to net income in the prior fiscal year of \$43.2 million, or \$1.47 per diluted share. Results for the fiscal year 2015 include approximately \$1.5 million, or \$0.04 per diluted share, for charges associated with the acquisition of Blue Tomato, and \$1.2 million, or approximately \$0.03 per diluted share for exit costs associated with the shutdown of the Company's fulfillment facility in Edwardsville, Kansas. Results for the fiscal year 2014 include \$6.4 million, or approximately \$0.06 per diluted share, for the accrual of contingent earn-out payments associated with the acquisition of Blue Tomato, and \$2.3 million, or approximately \$0.06 per diluted share, for the amortization of intangible assets.

Cash and Current Marketable Securities

At January 30, 2016, the Company had cash and current marketable securities of \$75.6 million, compared to cash and current marketable securities of \$154.6 million at January 31, 2015. The decrease in cash and current marketable securities is primarily a result of stock repurchases of \$92.2 million and capital expenditures of \$34.8 million, partially offset by cash generated through operations of \$48.6 million.

Rick Brooks, Chief Executive Officer of Zumiez Inc., stated, "The retail environment in North America over the past several months remained challenging. While we are pleased that our fourth quarter operating results came in ahead of our initial expectations, we are disappointed with our recent performance, particularly the decline in comparable store sales. In addition to our continued efforts to improve our merchandise assortments, we are taking actions to better position our Company for sustained, profitable growth, including implementing a new fully integrated point-of-sale system and optimizing our supply chain. We believe these changes will create a more seamless brand experience across all channels and help drive long-term market share gains. At the same time, we are investing in expanding our European business where sales momentum is strong and our footprint is underpenetrated."

February 2016 Sales

Total net sales for the four-week period ended February 27, 2016 decreased 3.9% to \$51.9 million, compared to \$54.0 million for the four-week period ended February 28, 2015. The Company's comparable sales decreased 8.6% for the four-week period ended February 27, 2016 compared with a comparable sales increase of 6.9% for the four-week period ended February 28, 2015.

Fiscal 2016 First Quarter Outlook

The Company is introducing guidance for the three months ending April 30, 2016. Net sales are projected to be in the range of \$172 to \$175 million resulting in a net loss per diluted share of approximately -\$0.07 to -\$0.11. This guidance is based upon anticipated comparable sales decrease in the -5% to -7% range for the first quarter of fiscal 2016. The Company currently intends to open approximately 34 new stores in fiscal 2016, including up to 7 stores in Canada and 7 stores in Europe.

A conference call will be held today to discuss fourth quarter and fiscal 2015 year-end results and will be webcast at 5:00 p.m. ET on http://ir.zumiez.com. Participants may also dial (617) 399-3483 followed by the conference identification code of 22609060.

About Zumiez Inc.

Zumiez is a leading specialty retailer of apparel, footwear, accessories and hardgoods for young men and women who want to express their individuality through the fashion, music, art and culture of action sports, streetwear, and other unique lifestyles. As of February 27, 2016 we operated 657 stores, including 592 in the United States, 42 in Canada, and 23 in Europe. We operate under the name Zumiez and Blue Tomato. Additionally, we operate ecommerce web sites at www.zumiez.com and www.blue-tomato.com.

Safe Harbor Statement

Certain statements in this press release and oral statements relating thereto made from time to time by representatives of the Company may constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, without limitation, predictions and guidance relating to the Company's future financial performance, brand and product category diversity, ability to adjust product mix, integration of acquired businesses, growing customer demand for our products and new store openings. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as, "may," "should," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," "continue," or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations but they involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results and the timing of events could differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements as a result of risks and uncertainties, which include, without limitation, those described in the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended October 31, 2015 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and available at www.sec.gov. You are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements herein and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, which are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. The forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update such forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

ZUMIEZ INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

Three	Months	Ended

	Jar	nuary 30, 2016	% of Sales	Jai	nuary 31, 2015	% of Sales
Net sales Cost of goods sold	\$	242,434	100.0%	\$	258,569 160,791	100.0%
Gross profit		84,257			97 , 778	37.8%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		62,754			66,500	
Operating profit					31,278	
Interest income, net Other expense, net		(606)	(0.2%)		162 (626)	(0.3%)
Earnings before income taxes					30,814	
Provision for income taxes		7,838	3.2%		13,301	5.1%
Net income		•			17,513	
Basic earnings per share		0.50			0.60	
Diluted earnings per share	•	0.50			0.60	
Weighted average shares used in computation of earnings per share:						
Basic		26,071			28,989	
Diluted		26,200			29,295	

ZUMIEZ INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Twelve Months Ended					
			% of J Sales			
Net sales Cost of goods sold		•			811,551 524,468	
Gross profit		268,624	33.4%		287,083	35.4%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		222,459	27.7%		215,512	26.6%
Operating profit		46,165	5.7%		71,571	8.8%
Interest income, net Other expense, net					637 (557)	
Earnings before income taxes		45,861	5.7%		71,651	8.8%
Provision for income taxes		17,076	2.1%		28,459	3.5%

Net income	\$	28,785	3.6%	\$	43,192	5.3%
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Basic earnings per share	\$	1.05		\$	1.50	
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Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.04		\$	1.47	
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Weighted average shares used in computation of earnings	1					
per share:						
Basic		27,497			28,871	
Diluted		27,673			29,288	

ZUMIEZ INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands)

	January 30, 2016		January 31, 2015	
Assets				
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Marketable securities Receivables	Ş	12,840		20,862 133,782 12,653
Inventories Prepaid expenses and other		98,299 12,204		93,850 11,651
Total current assets		198,897		272,798
Fixed assets, net Goodwill Intangible assets, net Deferred tax asset Other long-term assets		137,233 54,245 11,766 4,634 7,920		135,642 55,852 13,062 7,734 8,617
Total long-term assets		215,798		220,907
Total assets		414,695		
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities				
Trade accounts payable Accrued payroll and payroll taxes Income taxes payable Deferred rent and tenant allowances Other liabilities	Ş	21,919 12,466 4,066 8,116 22,575		
Total current liabilities				81,447
Long-term deferred rent and tenant allowances Deferred tax liabilities Other long-term liabilities		43,779 - 4,817		42,553 5,738 4,443
Total long-term liabilities		48,596		
Total liabilities		117,738		,
Commitments and contingencies				
Shareholders' equity Preferred stock, no par value, 20,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding Common stock, no par value, 50,000 shares authorized: 25.708 shares issued and		_		_

authorized; 25,708 shares issued and outstanding at January 30, 2016 and 29,418 shares issued and outstanding at January 31,

2015 Accumulated other comprehensive loss Retained earnings	135,013 (15,247) 177,191	129,094 (11,278) 241,708
Total shareholders' equity	296,957	359,524
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 414,695	\$ 493,705

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ZUMIEZ INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands)

	Twelve Months Ended		
	January 30,		
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 28,785	\$ 43,192	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	30,410	29,167	
Deferred taxes	(2,698)		
Stock-based compensation expense Excess tax benefit from stock-based	4,996	7,520	
compensation	(714)	(1,355)	
Other	4,009		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables Inventories	(1,184)		
Prepaid expenses and other	(133)	(10,850) (4,702)	
Trade accounts payable	(9,103)		
Accrued payroll and payroll taxes	(483)		
Income taxes payable	1		
Deferred rent and tenant allowances Other liabilities	2,613 (1.939)	5,937 6,080	
other readilities	(1, 555)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	48,607	89,937	
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Additions to fixed assets	(34,834)	(35,758)	
Purchases of marketable securities and other			
investments	(59,286)	(125,971)	
Sales and maturities of marketable securities and other investments	158 850	87,856	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	64,730	(73,873)	
Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from long-term debt and revolving			
credit facilities	43,173	6,943	
Payments on long-term debt and revolving	-, -	-,	
credit facilities	(43,255)		
Repurchase of common stock Proceeds from exercise of stock-based awards,	(92,235)	(19,557)	
net of withholding tax	845	6,335	
Excess tax benefit from stock-based		,	
compensation	714	1,355	
Net cash used in financing activities	(90,758)	(13,933)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and			
cash equivalents	(278)	(903)	
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of	22,301	1,228	
period	20,862	19,634	

Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 43,163	\$ 20,862
Supplemental disclosure on cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for income taxes Accrual for purchases of fixed assets	\$ 19,630 1,166	\$ 28,770 2,372
Accrual for repurchase of common stock	1,067	

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