# 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: November 9, 2015 (Date of earliest event reported)

# **Turtle Beach Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

100 Summit Lake Drive, Suite 100 Valhalla, New York (Address of principal executive offices) 27-2767540 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

> 10595 (Zip Code)

914-345-2255 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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Dere-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 November 9, 2015, Turtle Beach Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for its third quarter ended September 30, 2015. A copy of that press release and the attached financial schedules are attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed to be "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 to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

## Item 9.01 — Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit<br/>No.Description99.1Press Release dated November 9, 2015

## 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.

#### TURTLE BEACH CORPORATION

Date: November 9, 2015

By:

/S/ JOHN T. HANSON

John T. Hanson Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Secretary (Principal Financial Officer)

## Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated November 9, 2015

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **TURTLE BEACH REPORTS THIRD QUARTER 2015 RESULTS**

San Diego, CA – November 9, 2015 – <u>Turtle Beach Corporation</u> (NASDAQ: <u>HEAR</u>), a leading-edge audio technology company, reported financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2015.

#### **Highlights & Developments:**

- Net revenue increased 8% to \$35.9 million, ahead of the guidance range of \$30 to \$35 million (up 10% constant currency).
- Gross profit improved 340 basis points to 26.7% versus the year-ago quarter.
- Headset Adjusted EBITDA increased to \$0.3 million from a loss of \$2.0 million in the year-ago quarter, with consolidated adjusted EBITDA narrowing to a loss of \$3.3 million versus a loss of \$4.5 million.
- Launched the breakthrough hearing healthcare device *HyperSound Clear*<sup>™</sup> with the first order fulfillment in October.
- Secured new \$15 million term loan and favorably amended existing subordinated debt in July 2015.

"We continue to execute on the critical areas of our business that we expect will drive sustained growth and improved profitability," said Juergen Stark, CEO, Turtle Beach Corporation. "We delivered strong revenue growth and gross margin expansion as sales of our next generation headsets, several of which feature first and only innovations, increased by 69% from the third quarter last year. Year-to-date, these headsets have generated a gross margin over 1,000 basis points higher than our previous generation models. We have laregly completed the transition of our product portfolio from previous gaming console generation models, emerging with an industry-leading portfolio for next gen consoles."

"In October, we completed the transition to Foxconn, the world's largest contract manufacturer of electronic products and components, to produce our groundbreaking HyperSound Clear product as well as several of our latest gaming headsets at relatively lower costs per unit. Along with our recently announced global logistics partnership with Kuehne + Nagel, we believe we've solidified our supply chain development strategy, which is designed to support our market expansion as we manage costs, optimize inventory and maintain superior product quality."

Stark continued, "October also marked the official launch of HyperSound Clear, which was a big milestone after nearly two years of work commercializing the technology as an innovative new product for the hearing healthcare market. HyperSound Clear's launch was somewhat later than originally anticipated and the resources required to introduce the product were higher than planned. Nevertheless, we experienced strong initial pre-orders and have begun a staged rollout to our partners, some of which represent the largest corporations in hearing healthcare. We're encouraged by the early reception and expect the momentum to continue as we get more product in the channel."

"In the fourth quarter, we expect the continued strong U.S. dollar to impact our European and Australian businesses, as sales volumes and margin at our international distributors are significantly affected. To a lesser extent, softness in the broader European market and a decision to delay certain China market growth investments have also reduced our international revenues. However, in our headset business, we expect our robust North American market to benefit from the broadest, most advanced product offering in the industry during a period where the number of new generation console users is expected to surpass those of prior generations."

#### **Third Quarter Review**

Net revenue in the third quarter increased 8% to \$35.9 million compared to \$33.3 million a year ago. The increase was attributable to higher domestic sales, driven primarily by strong consumer response to the Company's expanded portfolio of next generation headsets. This was partially offset by an overall decline in sales of previous generation headsets and softer international sales. On a constant currency basis, net revenues increased 10%.

Gross profit in the third quarter increased 23% to \$9.6 million from \$7.7 million in the year-ago quarter. Gross margin increased 340 basis points to 26.7% compared to 23.3%. The increase was driven by a product mix shift to next generation headsets, including the release of certain new models for the holiday season, and the continued channel mix shift to domestic revenues.

Operating expenses for the third quarter were \$15.3 million, up slightly from \$15.1 million in the same period of 2014. The increase was attributable to higher costs associated with additional headcount to support the *HyperSound* commercialization,

increased legal and financial costs, and incremental stock compensation expense. These costs were partially offset by operating expense reductions in other functional areas.

Adjusted EBITDA (as defined below in "Non-GAAP Financial Measures") for the headset business improved to \$0.3 million in the third quarter, up from a loss of \$2.0 million in the year-ago quarter. Adjusted EBITDA on a consolidated basis was a loss of \$3.3 million, reflecting investments of approximately \$3.6 million in the HyperSound business, compared to a loss of \$4.5 million in the year-ago quarter.

During the third quarter, the Company reassessed its tax valuation allowance given the latest forecasted net taxable loss for the current year along with cumulative losses in the two preceding years. As a result, the Company concluded a full valuation allowance was required and recorded a \$10.5 million non-cash valuation allowance in the third quarter. However, it should be noted that this allowance does not impact the Company's ability to utilize its net operating losses in future tax filings and is not a reflection of any future forecast and is not a reflection of any future forecast.

As a result, net loss in the third quarter was \$15.9 million, or \$(0.38) per diluted share based on 42.3 million average shares outstanding, compared to a net loss of \$5.6 million, or \$(0.13) per diluted share based on 42.0 million average shares outstanding in the same period a year ago. Excluding the tax valuation expense, net loss in the third quarter of 2015 was \$(5.4) million or \$(0.13) per diluted share.

The Company ended the quarter with approximately \$3.1 million of cash and cash equivalents compared to \$7.9 million at December 31, 2014 and \$4.4 million at September 30, 2014. As of September 30, 2015, outstanding debt principal was \$56.3 million compared to \$44.6 million at December 31, 2014. The debt consisted of \$20.6 million of borrowings under the Company's credit facility, \$14.3 million of subordinated debt and term loans that total \$21.4 million.

During the third quarter, the Company entered into a new \$15.0 million term loan with Crystal Financial LLC, and amended its subordinated debt held by affiliates of Stripes Group LLC. As disclosed last week in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, following the end of the third quarter, the Company amended certain covenants under the term loan and its revolving credit facility with Bank of America.

#### Outlook

For the fourth quarter of 2015, the Company has revised its outlook and now expects net revenue for the headset business to range between \$82 million to \$92 million compared to \$91.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. This revision is due to the aforementioned weakness in the Company's European and Australian markets, and the decision to delay certain market growth investments in China. Headset gross margin is expected to improve and be in the range of 31% or better, compared to 28.2% in the year-ago quarter.

Revenue from HyperSound is expected to be approximately \$2 million in the fourth quarter with net investment on an adjusted EBITDA level expected to range between \$3.3 million and \$4.3 million.

Headset adjusted EBITDA is expected to show improvement over the \$13.7 million reported in the fourth quarter of 2014. Consolidated adjusted EBITDA is expected to range between \$9.5 million and \$13.0 million, compared to \$10.4 million in the year-ago quarter. Net income on a consolidated basis for the fourth quarter is expected to improve to a range between \$3.5 million and \$7.0 million, or \$0.08 and \$0.16 per diluted share.

For the full year 2015, the Company has revised its outlook and now expects headset revenue to range between \$160 million and \$170 million compared to \$185.5 million in 2014, with the vast majority of the decline being driven by the international business due to the aforementioned reasons. Headset gross margin is expected to be at least 26%, reflecting reduced operating leverage due to the lower revenues.

Revenue from HyperSound is expected to range between \$2 million and \$3 million in 2015, with net investment on an adjusted EBITDA level to range between \$13 million and \$14 million. This investment is higher than expected due to the later launch and more conservative ramp plans.

Headset adjusted EBITDA in 2015 is expected to be between \$2 million and \$5 million, with consolidated adjusted EBITDA loss expected to range between \$12 million and \$8 million. Net loss on a consolidated basis in 2015 is expected to range between \$33 million and \$29.5 million, or \$(0.78) and \$(0.70) per diluted share.

#### **Conference Call Details**

Turtle Beach Corporation will hold a conference call today, November 9, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. Pacific time (4:30 p.m. Eastern) to discuss its third quarter results.

CEO Juergen Stark and CFO John Hanson will host the call, followed by a question and answer session.

#### Date: Monday, November 9, 2015 Time: 1:30 p.m. Pacific time (4:30 p.m. Eastern time) Toll-free dial-in number: 1-877-303-9855 International dial-in number: 1-408-337-0154 Conference ID: 64711004

Please call the conference telephone number 5-10 minutes prior to the start time. An operator will register your name and organization. If you have any difficulty connecting with the conference call, please contact Liolios at (949) 574-3860.

The conference call will be broadcast live and available for replay at http://edge.media-server.com/m/p/bd6av6ih and via the investor relations section of the Company's website at www.turtlebeachcorp.com.

A replay of the conference call will be available after 4:30 p.m. Pacific time on the same day through November 16, 2015.

#### Toll-Free Replay Number: (855) 859-2056 International Replay Number: (404) 537-3406

#### **About Turtle Beach Corporation**

Turtle Beach Corporation (<u>www.turtlebeach.com</u>) designs leading-edge audio products for the consumer, commercial and healthcare markets. Under the Turtle Beach brand (<u>www.turtlebeach.com</u>), the Company markets a wide selection of quality gaming headsets catering to a variety of gamers' needs and budgets, for use with video game consoles, including officially licensed headsets for the Xbox One and PlayStation<sup>®</sup>4, as well as for personal computers and mobile/tablet devices. Under the *HyperSound* brand (<u>www.hypersound.com</u>), the Company markets pioneering directed audio solutions that have applications in digital signage and kiosks, consumer electronics and healthcare. The Company's shares are traded on the NASDAQ Exchange under the symbol: <u>HEAR</u>.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to its reported results, the Company has included in this earnings release certain financial results, including Adjusted EBITDA that the Securities and Exchange Commission defines as "non-GAAP financial measures." Management believes that such non-GAAP financial measures, when read in conjunction with the Company's reported results, can provide useful supplemental information for investors analyzing period to period comparisons of the Company's results. "Adjusted EBITDA" is defined by the Company as net income (loss) before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, stock-based compensation (non-cash), and certain special items that we believe are not representative of core operations. Please see a reconciliation of GAAP results to Adjusted EBITDA, which is included below for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

The Adjusted EBITDA outlook for the fourth quarter and full year 2015 have not been reconciled to our net loss outlook for the same periods because certain items that would impact interest expense, provision for income taxes and stock-based compensation, which are reconciling items between net loss and Adjusted EBITDA, cannot be reasonably predicted. Similarly, we have not reconciled our constant currency sales outlook for the full year 2015 to net revenue because applicable foreign currency exchange rates cannot be reasonably predicted. Accordingly, reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA outlook to net loss outlook for the fourth quarter of and full year 2015, and of constant currency sales outlook to net revenue outlook for the full year 2015, is not available without unreasonable effort.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes forward-looking information and statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Except for historical information contained in this release, statements in this release may constitute forward-looking statements regarding assumptions, projections, expectations, targets, intentions or beliefs about future events. Forward looking statements

are based on management's statements containing the words "may", "could", "would", "should", "believe", "expect", "anticipate", "plan", "estimate", "target", "project", "intend" and similar expressions constitute forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Forward-looking statements are based on management's current belief, as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, management.

While the Company believes that its expectations are based upon reasonable assumptions, there can be no assurances that its goals and strategy will be realized. Numerous factors, including risks and uncertainties, may affect actual results and may cause results to differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements made by the Company or on its behalf. Some of these factors include, but are not limited to, the substantial uncertainties inherent in acceptance of existing and future products, the difficulty of commercializing and protecting new technology, the impact of competitive products and pricing, general business and economic conditions, risks associated with the expansion of our business including the implementation of any businesses we acquire, our indebtedness, and other factors discussed in our public filings, including the risk factors included in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the Company's other periodic reports. Except as required by applicable law, including the securities laws of the United States and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Company is under no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement after the date of this release whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

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# Turtle Beach Corporation Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands, except par value and share amounts)

Table 1.

		September 30, 2015	Dece	mber 31, 2014
ASSETS		(unaudited)		
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,074	\$	7,908
Accounts receivable, net		30,254		61,059
Inventories		49,736		38,400
Deferred income taxes		5,053		4,930
Prepaid income taxes		1,210		1,482
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		4,466		3,818
Total Current Assets		93,793		117,597
Property and equipment, net		5,366		6,722
Goodwill		80,974		80,974
Intangible assets, net		39,297		39,726
Deferred income taxes				1,128
Other assets		2,141		821
Total Assets	\$	221,571	\$	246,968
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Liabilities:				
Revolving credit facilities	\$	20,617	\$	36,863
Term loan		21,410		1,923
Accounts payable		32,884		35,546
Other current liabilities		9,313		14,525
Total Current Liabilities		84,224		88,857
Term loan, long-term portion				5,769
Series B redeemable preferred stock		15,826		14,916
Deferred income taxes		5,053		648
Subordinated notes - related party		13,323		_
Other liabilities		2,165		5,592
Total Liabilities		120,591		115,782
Commitments and Contingencies				
Stockholders' Equity				
Common stock, \$0.001 par value - 100,000,000 and 50,000,000 shares authorized; 42,437,116 and 42,027,991 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively	;	42		42
Additional paid-in capital		134,350		128,084
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)		(33,082)		3,289
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(330)		(229)
Total Stockholders' Equity		100,980		131,186
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	221,571	\$	246,968

## Turtle Beach Corporation Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

Table 2.

(in thousands, except per-share data) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended							
	Septe	mber 30, 2015	Septer	eptember 30, 2014		ptember 30, 2015	Sej	ptember 30, 2014
Net Revenue	\$	35,887	\$	33,325	\$	78,188	\$	93,909
Cost of Revenue		26,323		25,576		62,106		69,053
Gross Profit		9,564		7,749		16,082		24,856
Operating expenses:								
Selling and marketing		7,142		7,962		21,849		22,660
Research and development		2,963		2,797		8,641		6,866
General and administrative		5,393		4,311		16,124		12,582
Business transaction costs		—		—		—		3,744
Restructuring charges		(173)		_		336		—
Total operating expenses		15,325		15,070		46,950		45,852
Operating loss		(5,761)		(7,321)		(30,868)		(20,996)
Interest expense		1,540		866		3,158		6,161
Other non-operating expense, net		347		334		629		239
Loss before income tax expense (benefit)		(7,648)		(8,521)		(34,655)		(27,396)
Income tax expense (benefit)		8,232		(2,883)		1,716		(9,550)
Net loss	\$	(15,880)	\$	(5,638)	\$	(36,371)	\$	(17,846)
Net loss per share:								
Basic	\$	(0.38)	\$	(0.13)	\$	(0.86)	\$	(0.46)
Diluted	\$	(0.38)	\$	(0.13)	\$	(0.86)	\$	(0.46)
Weighted average number of shares:								
Basic		42,325		41,962		42,185		38,869
Diluted		42,325		41,962		42,185		38,869

## Turtle Beach Corporation GAAP to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation (in thousands) (unaudited)

Table 3.

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2015												
	As Reported		Adj Depreciation		Adj Amortization		Adj Stock Compensation		Other (1)		Adj EBITDA		
Net Revenue	\$	35,887	\$	—	\$	—	\$	- \$	—	\$	35,887		
Cost of Revenue		26,323		(325)		(28)	(1	35)	_		25,785		
Gross Profit		9,564		325		28	1	85	—		10,102		
Operating Expense		15,325		(1,142)		(205)	(1,0	58)	173		13,083		
Operating loss		(5,761)		1,467		233	1,2	53	(173)		(2,981)		
Interest expense		1,540											
Other non-operating expense, net		347									347		
Loss before income tax expense (benefit)		(7,648)											
Income tax expense (benefit)		8,232											
Net loss	\$	(15,880)						Adj	usted EBITDA	\$	(3,328)		

	_	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015												
	As Reported		Adj Depreciation		Adj Amortization		Adj Stock Compensation		Other (1)			Adj EBITDA		
Net Revenue	\$	78,188	\$	_	\$	_	\$	—	\$	—	\$	78,188		
Cost of Revenue		62,106		(503)		(55)		(727)		—		60,821		
Gross Profit		16,082		503		55		727		_		17,367		
Operating Expense		46,950		(4,040)		(631)		(3,921)		(336)		38,022		
Operating loss		(30,868)		4,543		686		4,648		336		(20,655)		
Interest expense		3,158												
Other non-operating expense, net		629										629		
Loss before income tax expense (benefit)		(34,655)												
Income tax expense (benefit)		1,716												
Net loss	\$	(36,371)						A	djus	sted EBITDA	\$	(21,284)		

(1) Other includes Restructuring charges of \$(173) and \$336 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015, respectively.

# Table 3. (continued)

		Three Months Ended September 30, 2014													
	As	As Reported		Adj Depreciation		Adj Amortization		Adj Stock npensation	Other (2)			Adj EBITDA			
Net Revenue	\$	33,325	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	33,325			
Cost of Revenue		25,576		(48)		(66)		(151)		—		25,311			
Gross Profit		7,749		48		66		151		_		8,014			
Operating Expense		15,070		(1,243)		(245)		(1,368)		_		12,214			
Operating loss		(7,321)		1,291		311		1,519		—		(4,200)			
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Interest expense		866													
Other non-operating expense, net		334										334			
Loss before income tax expense (benefit)		(8,521)													
Income tax expense (benefit)		(2,883)													
Net loss	\$	(5,638)						A	Adjus	sted EBITDA	\$	(4,534)			

		Nine Months Ended													
						Septembe	er 30, 20	14							
	As Reported		Adj Depreciation		Adj Amortization		Adj Stock Compensation		Other (2)			Adj EBITDA			
Net Revenue	\$	93,909	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—	\$	—	\$	93,909			
Cost of Revenue		69,053		(155)		(80)		(219)		—		68,599			
Gross Profit		24,856		155		80		219		_		25,310			
Operating Expense		45,852		(4,184)		(728)		(3,697)		(3,744)		33,499			
Operating loss		(20,996)		4,339		808		3,916		3,744		(8,189)			
Interest expense		6,161													
Other non-operating expense, net		239										239			
Loss before income tax expense (benefit)		(27,396)													
Income tax expense (benefit)		(9,550)													
Net loss	\$	(17,846)						I	<b>Adjus</b>	ted EBITDA	\$	(8,428)			

(2) Other includes Business transaction charges of \$3,744 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.