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): November 2, 2015

SENECA FOODS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New York
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-01989

16-0733425

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

3736 South Main Street, Marion, New York 14505-9751 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, including zip code)

(315) 926-8100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 2, 2015, Seneca Foods Corporation (the "Corporation") issued a press release on its financial results for the second quarter and six months ended September 26, 2015 furnished as Exhibit 99.1, attached hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated November 2, 2015 announcing Seneca Foods Corporation's results of operations for second quarter and six months ended September 27, 2015.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this amended report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 2, 2015

SENECA FOODS CORPORATION

By: /s/Jeffrey L. Van Riper Jeffrey L. Van Riper Controller and Secretary



Seneca Foods Reports Net Earnings of \$6.5 Million for the Quarter Ended September 26, 2015

MARION, N.Y. November 2, 2015 -- Seneca Foods Corporation (NASDAQ: SENEA, SENEB) reported for the second quarter of 2016, net earnings of \$6.5 million, or \$0.65 per diluted share, compared to a net loss of \$0.6 million, or \$(0.05) per diluted share, in the fiscal second quarter of 2016. Net sales for the second quarter ended September 26, 2015 increased from the second quarter ended September 27, 2014 by 0.3%, or \$1.0 million to \$313.2 million. The increase is attributable to a favorable sales mix and higher selling prices of \$4.0 million partially offset a by a sales volume decrease of \$2.9 million.

The Company reported net earnings for the fiscal six months ended September 26, 2015 of \$9.5 million, or \$0.95 per diluted share, compared to a net loss of \$0.7 million, or \$(0.06) per diluted share for the same period in the prior year. In the six months ended September 27, 2014, net sales decreased \$12.7 million, or 2.3% to \$539.5 million. The decrease is attributable to a sales volume decrease of \$19.5 million partially offset by favorable sales mix and higher selling prices of \$6.8 million. A major portion of the lower sales was due to an \$7.1 million reduction in GMOL Vegetable sales.

Net earnings per diluted share were \$0.65 during the quarter ended September 26, 2015 versus \$0.30 during the quarter ended September 27, 2014, which included a non-cash LIFO charge of \$3.9 million. Excluding a non-cash after-tax LIFO credit of \$1.0 million, net earnings per diluted share were \$0.84 during the six months ended September 26, 2015, compared to \$0.27 during the six months ended September 27, 2014 which included a non-cash LIFO charge of \$3.6 million.

About Seneca Foods Corporation

Seneca Foods is North America's leading provider of packaged fruits and vegetables, with facilities located throughout the United States. Its high quality products are primarily sourced from over 2,000 American farms. Seneca holds the largest share of the retail private label, food service, and export canned vegetable markets, distributing to over 90 countries. Products are also sold under the highly regarded brands of Libby's®, Aunt Nellie's®, READ®, and Seneca labels, including Seneca snack chips. In addition, Seneca provides vegetable products under an alliance with General Mills Operations, LLC, a subsidiary of General Mills, Inc., under the Green Giant label. Seneca's common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Stock Market under the symbols "SENEA" and "SENEB". SENEA is included in the S&P SmallCap 600, Russell 2000 and Russell 3000 indices.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures—Net Earnings Excluding LIFO Impact, EBITDA and FIFO EBITDA

Net Earnings excluding LIFO, EBITDA and FIFO EBITDA are non-GAAP financial measures. The Company believes these non-GAAP financial measures provide a basis for comparison to companies that do not use LIFO and enhance the understanding of the Company's historical operating performance. The Company does not intend for this information to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for other measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Set forth below is a reconciliation of reported net earnings and reported diluted earnings per share to net earnings excluding LIFO and diluted earnings per share excluding LIFO.

	Quarter Ended							
	 September 26, 2015				September 27, 2014			
	Income (in millions)		Diluted EPS		Income (in millions)		Diluted EPS	
Net earnings (loss), as reported:	\$ 6.5	\$	0.65	\$	(0.6)	\$	(0.05)	
LIFO charge, after tax at statutory federal rate	\$ <u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	3.9	\$	0.35	
Net earnings, excluding LIFO impact	\$ 6.5	\$	0.65	\$	3.3	\$	0.30	
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding								
(in thousands)			9,971			_	10,846	

	Six Months Ended								
	 September 26, 2015				September 27, 2014				
	Income (in millions)		Diluted EPS		Income (in millions)		Diluted EPS		
Net earnings (loss), as reported:	\$ 9.5	\$	0.94	\$	(0.7)	\$	(0.06)		
LIFO (credit) charge, after tax at statutory federal rate	\$ (1.0)	\$	(0.10)	\$	3.6	\$	0.33		
Net earnings, excluding LIFO impact	\$ 8.5	\$	0.84	\$	2.9	\$	0.27		
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding (in thousands)			9,964				10,858		

Set forth below is a reconciliation of reported net earnings to EBITDA and FIFO EBITDA (earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization, non-cash charges and credits related to the LIFO inventory valuation method). The Company does not intend for this information to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for other measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.

	Six Months Ended						
EBITDA and FIFO EBITDA:	Se	eptember 26, 2015	September 27, 2014				
		(In thousands)					
Net earnings (loss)	\$	9,490 \$	(685)				
Income tax expense		4,834	169				
Interest expense, net of interest income		2,962	2,486				
Depreciation and amortization		10,487	11,142				
Interest amortization		(148)	(149)				
EBITDA		27,625	12,963				
LIFO (credit) charge		(1,587)	5,570				
FIFO EBITDA	\$	26,038 \$	18,533				

Forward-Looking Information

The information contained in this release contains, or may contain, forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements appear in a number of places in this release and include statements regarding the intent, belief or current expectations of the Company or its officers (including statements preceded by, followed by or that include the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates" or similar expressions) with respect to various matters.

Because such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements, which speak only as of the date the statements were made. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are:

general economic and business conditions;

cost and availability of commodities and other raw materials such as vegetables, steel and packaging materials;

transportation costs;

climate and weather affecting growing conditions and crop yields;

availability of financing;

leverage and the Company's ability to service and reduce its debt;

foreign currency exchange and interest rate fluctuations;

effectiveness of the Company's marketing and trade promotion programs;

changing consumer preferences;

competition;

product liability claims;

the loss of significant customers or a substantial reduction in orders from these customers;

changes in, or the failure or inability to comply with, United States, foreign and local governmental regulations, including environmental and health and safety regulations; and

other risks detailed from time to time in the reports filed by the Company with the SEC.

Except for ongoing obligations to disclose material information as required by the federal securities laws, the Company does not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of the filing of this report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Seneca Foods Corporation

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Net Earnings (Loss) For the Periods Ended September 26, 2015 and September 27, 2014 (In thousands of dollars, except share data)

		Quarter				Year-to-Date			
		Fiscal 2016		Fiscal 2015		Fiscal 2016		Fiscal 2015	
Net sales	\$	313,202	\$	312,161	\$	539,460	\$	552,204	
Plant restructuring (expense) income (note 2)	<u>\$</u>	(15)	\$	<u> </u>	\$	66	\$	-	
Other operating income (loss) net (note 3)	<u>\$</u>	67	\$	85	\$	403	\$	(194)	
Operating income (note 1) Loss (earnings) from equity investment Interest expense, net Earnings (Loss) before income taxes	\$	11,432 86 1,590 9,756	\$	686 80 1,417 (811)	\$	17,372 86 2,962 14,324	\$	1,684 (286) 2,486 (516)	
Income taxes expense (benefit)	<u> </u>	3,234		(233)		4,834		169	
Net earnings (loss)	<u>\$</u>	6,522	\$	(578)	\$	9,490	\$	(685)	
Earnings (loss) attributable to common stock (note 4)	<u>\$</u>	6,456	\$	(576)	\$	9,376	\$	(684)	
Basic earnings (loss) per share	<u>\$</u>	0.65	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.95	\$	(0.06)	
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	<u>\$</u>	0.65	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.94	\$	(0.06)	
Weighted average shares outstanding basic		9,901,031		10,773,646		9,894,729		10,787,129	
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted		9,970,573		10,845,566		9,964,271		10,858,331	

Note 1: The effect of the LIFO inventory valuation method on second quarter pre-tax results was to decrease operating earnings by \$50,000 for the three month period ended September 26, 2015 and decrease operating earnings by \$5,919,000 for the three month period ended September 27, 2014. The effect of the LIFO inventory valuation method on year-to-date pre-tax results was to increase operating earnings by \$1,587,000 for the six month period ended September 26, 2015 and decrease operating earnings by \$5,570,000 for the six month period ended September 27, 2014.

Note 2: The six month period ended September 26, 2015 included a restructuring credit for product rationalization costs of \$66,000.

Note 3: Other gain for the six month period ended September 26, 2015 of \$403,000 represents a \$200,000 credit related to a contingency accrual for Prop 65, net gain on the sale of unused fixed assets of \$143,000 and a credit of \$60,000 related to an environmental accrual.

Other net loss for the six month period ended September 27, 2014 of \$194,000 represents a \$250,000 charge related to environmental accrual and net gain on the sale of unused fixed assets of \$56,000.

Note 4: The Company uses the "two-class" method for basic earnings per share by dividing the earnings attributable to common shareholders by the weighted average of common shares outstanding during the period.

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