#### 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 18, 2016

# TILE SHOP HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**001-35629** (Commission File Number) **45-5538095** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**14000 Carlson Parkway, Plymouth, Minnesota 55441** (Address of principal executive offices, including ZIP code)

(763) 852-2988

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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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 October 18, 2016, Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended September 30, 2016. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Tile Shop Holdings, Inc., dated October 18, 2016.

## SIGNATURES

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.

TILE SHOP HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: October 18, 2016

By /s/ Kirk L. Geadelmann Name: Kirk L. Geadelmann Title: Chief Financial Officer

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## TILE SHOP HOLDINGS, INC. EXHIBIT INDEX TO FORM 8-K

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#### THE TILE SHOP REPORTS THIRD QUARTER 2016 RESULTS

#### 5.7% Comparable Store Sales Growth 17.0% Operating Income Growth 21.9% Net Income Growth 19.4% Adjusted EBITDA Margin and 9.4% Adjusted EBITDA Growth Diluted Earnings per Share of \$0.09, growth of 28.6% Non-GAAP Diluted Earnings per Share of \$0.10, growth of 25.0%

MINNEAPOLIS – October 18, 2016 – Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: TTS) (the "Company"), a specialty retailer of manufactured and natural stone tiles, setting and maintenance materials, and related accessories, today announced results for its third quarter ended September 30, 2016.

Net sales grew 8.5% to \$78.6 million for the third quarter of 2016 compared with \$72.4 million for the third quarter of 2015. The \$6.2 million increase in net sales was due to a comparable store sales increase of 5.7%, or \$4.1 million in the quarter and incremental net sales of \$2.1 million from stores not included in the comparable store base. Comparable store sales growth was 9.7% in the third quarter of 2015.

"We are pleased to report another quarter with strong results and continued momentum for our business," said Chris Homeister, CEO. "Our ability to deliver sustained progress across all of our key initiatives resulted in another quarter with outstanding sales performance and significant earnings growth, as well as an increase to our full year outlook. We look forward to building upon our accomplishments as we seek a strong finish to 2016 and the continued delivery of significant growth in sales, operating margins and earnings per share in 2017."

Gross margin for the third quarter of 2016 was 70.2% compared with 70.0% for the third quarter of 2015.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the third quarter of 2016 were \$47.4 million compared with \$44.0 million for the third quarter of 2015. The \$3.4 million increase was primarily driven by variable expenses associated with revenue growth and the costs associated with opening and operating new stores.

The Company opened three stores since the conclusion of the second quarter of 2016, consisting of a fourth store in the greater St. Louis, MO market in Brentwood, MO, a sixth store in the greater Twin Cities, MN market in Maple Grove, MN and a Chicago area location in Algonquin, IL, bringing the total store count in the greater Chicago market to eleven. The Maple Grove, MN opening was a relocation. As of today, the Company operates 120 stores in 31 states.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, net sales grew 12.0% from \$221.1 million in 2015 to \$247.5 million in 2016. Comparable store sales for the nine month period increased 9.0%.

#### **Non-GAAP Information**

The Company presents non-GAAP net income and Adjusted EBITDA to provide useful information to investors regarding the Company's normalized operating performance.

On a non-GAAP basis, net income for the third quarter of 2016 was \$5.0 million compared with \$3.9 million for the third quarter of 2015. Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share for the third quarter of 2016 were \$0.10 compared with \$0.08 for the third quarter of 2015, representing 25.0% growth. See the "Non-GAAP Income Reconciliation" table and the "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section below for a reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP pre-tax and net income.

#### **Non-GAAP Income Reconciliation**

						Three Mo	nths	Ended				
		S	eptei	nber 30, 1	2016	6		S	epte	mber 30,	2015	
						Diluted					]	Diluted
					P	Per Share					P	er Share
(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	I	Pretax	Net of Tax		Amounts		Pretax		Net of Tax		Amounts	
GAAP income	\$	7,469	\$	4,583	\$	0.09	\$	6,197	\$	3,761	\$	0.07
Special charges <sup>(1)</sup>		725		445		0.01		162		98		0.00
Non-GAAP income <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	8,194	\$	5,028	\$	0.10	\$	6,359	\$	3,859	\$	0.08

<sup>(1)</sup> Shareholder and other litigation costs.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

					Nine Mor	iths	Ended				
	 S	epte	mber 30,	2016		S	epte	mber 30,	201	5	
					Diluted	_					Diluted
				Р	Per Share						Per Share
(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	Pretax Net of Tax Amounts		Pretax	N	et of Tax	Amounts					
GAAP income	\$ 29,983	\$	18,190	\$	0.35	\$	20,295	\$	11,910	\$	0.23
Special charges <sup>(1)</sup>	1,827		1,108		0.02		952		558		0.01
Write-off of debt issuance costs	-		-		-		194		115		0.00
Non-GAAP income <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 31,810	\$	19,298	\$	0.37	\$	21,441	\$	12,583	\$	0.25

<sup>(1)</sup> Shareholder and other litigation costs.

 $\ensuremath{^{(2)}}$  Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

Adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter of 2016 was \$15.3 million compared with \$13.9 million for the third quarter of 2015, representing 9.4% growth. See the "Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation" table and the "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section below for a reconciliation of GAAP net income to Adjusted EBITDA.

#### **Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation**

(\$ in thousands)	Three Mo Septen	 	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	 2016	2015		2016	2015	
GAAP net income	\$ 4,583	\$ 3,761	\$	18,190	\$	11,910
Interest expense	363	503		1,382		2,101
Income taxes	2,886	2,436		11,793		8,385
Depreciation and amortization	5,770	5,504		16,954		16,597
Special charges <sup>(1)</sup>	725	162		1,827		952
Stock-based compensation	930	1,583		3,394		4,226
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 15,257	\$ 13,949	\$	53,540	\$	44,171

<sup>(1)</sup> Shareholder and other litigation costs.

#### Financial Guidance

The Company is providing updated expectations for full year 2016 based on past performance, anticipated new store openings and current economic conditions.

For the full year ending December 31, 2016 the Company expects:

(\$ in millions, except per share data)	2016	2015
Net Sales	\$324 - \$327	\$293.0
Comparable Store Sales Change	mid to high single digits	7.4%
Gross Margin % of Net Sales	approx. 70%	69.5%
Depreciation & Amortization	approx. \$23	\$22.2
Stock Based Compensation	approx. \$4	\$5.5
Effective Tax Rate	approx. 40%	41%
Special Charges	approx. \$2	\$1.3
Non-GAAP Earnings Per Share	\$0.45 - \$0.47	\$0.32
Adjusted EBITDA	\$68 - \$70	\$58.4
Fully Diluted Shares Outstanding	approx. 52 million	51.3 million
New stores	approx. 10	7
Capital Expenditures	approx. \$30	\$19

See the "Non-GAAP Income Guidance Reconciliation" table and the "Adjusted EBITDA Guidance Reconciliation" table on the final page of this release for a reconciliation of these Non-GAAP measures to the comparable GAAP measures.

## Webcast and Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call via live webcast for investors and other interested parties beginning at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, October 18, 2016. Participants may access the live webcast by visiting the Company's Investor Relations page at www.tileshop.com. The call can also be accessed by dialing (844) 421-0597, or (716) 247-5787 for international participants. A webcast replay of the call will be available on the Company's Investor Relations page at www.tileshop.com.

Additional details can be located in the filing at www.tileshop.com under the Financial Information – SEC Filings section of the Company's Investor Relations page.

#### About Tile Shop Holdings and The Tile Shop

The Tile Shop is a specialty retailer of manufactured and natural stone tiles, setting and maintenance materials, and related accessories in the United States. The Company offers a wide selection of high quality products, exclusive designs, knowledgeable staff and exceptional customer service, in an extensive showroom environment with up to 50 full-room tiled displays. The Tile Shop currently operates 120 stores in 31 states, with an average size of 21,300 square feet and sells products online at www.tileshop.com.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

The Company calculates Adjusted EBITDA by taking net income calculated in accordance with GAAP, and adjusting for interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, stock based compensation and special charges related to litigation, including shareholder and other litigation. Adjusted EBITDA margin is equal to Adjusted EBITDA divided by net sales. Non-GAAP net income excludes special charges related to litigation costs, including shareholder and other litigation, and losses incurred in connection with the renegotiation of debt, and is net of tax.

We believe that these non-GAAP measures of financial results provide useful information to management and investors regarding certain financial and business trends relating to our financial condition and results of operations. Our management uses these non-GAAP measures to compare our performance to that of prior periods for trend analyses, for purposes of determining management incentive compensation, and for budgeting and planning purposes. These measures are used in monthly financial reports prepared for management and our board of directors. We believe that the use of these non-GAAP financial measures provides an additional tool for investors to use in evaluating ongoing operating results and trends and in comparing our financial measures with other specialty retailers, many of which present similar non-GAAP financial measures to investors.

Our management does not consider these non-GAAP measures in isolation or as an alternative to financial measures determined in accordance with GAAP. The principal limitations of these non-GAAP financial measures are that they exclude significant expenses and income that are required by GAAP to be recognized in our consolidated financial statements. In addition, they are subject to inherent limitations as they reflect the exercise of judgments by management about which expenses and income are excluded or included in determining these non-GAAP financial measures. In order to compensate for these limitations, management presents non-GAAP financial measures to the comparable GAAP financial measures and not to rely on any single financial measure to evaluate our business.

#### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release includes "forward looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "anticipate", "believe", "expect", "estimate", "plan", "outlook", and "project" and other similar expressions that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters. These forward looking statements include any statements regarding the Company's strategic and operational plan and expected financial performance (including the financial performance of new stores). Forward looking statements should not be read as a guarantee of future performance or results, and will not necessarily be accurate indications of the times at, or by, which such performance or results will be achieved. Forward looking statements are based on information available at the time those statements are made and/or management's good faith belief as of that time with respect to future events, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual performance or results to differ materially from those expressed in or suggested by the forward looking statements, including but not limited to unforeseen events that may affect the retail market or the performance of the Company's stores. The Company does not intend, and undertakes no duty, to update this information to reflect future events or circumstances. Investors are referred to the most recent reports filed with the SEC by the Company.

## Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (\$ in thousands, except share data) (Unaudited)

	Se	September 30, 2016		cember 31, 2015
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	9,835	\$	10,330
Restricted cash		210		219
Trade receivables, net		2,560		1,966
Inventories		66,379		69,878
Prepaid inventory		415		568
Income tax receivable		1,226		735
Other current assets, net		3,890		3,557
Total Current Assets		84,515		87,253
Property, plant and equipment, net		137,774		135,115
Deferred tax assets		19,781		20,846
Other assets		1,723		1,793
Total Assets	\$	243,793	\$	245,007
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	18,008	\$	14,584
Current portion of long-term debt		5,600		4,744
Income tax payable		404		1,101
Other accrued liabilities		22,764		19,327
Total Current Liabilities		46,776		39,756
Long-term debt, net		18,469		51,178
Capital lease obligation, net		725		797
Deferred rent		37,028		34,983
Other long-term liabilities		3,400		3,092
Total Liabilities		106,398		129,806
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Stockholders' Equity:				
Common stock, par value \$0.0001; authorized: 100,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding:				
51,575,420 and 51,437,973 shares, respectively		5		5
Preferred stock, par value \$0.0001; authorized: 10,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding: 0 shares		-		-
Additional paid-in-capital		184,893		180,879
Accumulated deficit		(47,482)		(65,672)
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income		(21)		(11)
Total Stockholders' Equity		137,395		115,201
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	243,793	\$	245,007

#### Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations (\$ in thousands, except share, and per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,						nths Ended nber 30,		
		2016		2015		2016		2015	
Net sales	\$	78,559	\$	72,404	\$	247,543	\$	221,073	
Cost of sales		23,400		21,691		73,980		68,096	
Gross profit		55,159		50,713		173,563		152,977	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		47,361		44,047		142,300		130,678	
Income from operations		7,798		6,666		31,263		22,299	
Interest expense		(363)		(503)		(1,382)		(2,101)	
Other income		34		34		102		97	
Income before income taxes		7,469	_	6,197	_	29,983		20,295	
Provision income taxes		(2,886)		(2,436)		(11,793)		(8,385)	
Net income	\$	4,583	\$	3,761	\$	18,190	\$	11,910	
Earnings per common share:									
Basic	\$	0.09	\$	0.07	\$	0.35	\$	0.23	
Diluted	\$	0.09	\$	0.07	\$	0.35	\$	0.23	
Weighted average shares outstanding:									
Basic		51,426,104		51,161,348		51,388,058		51,137,650	
Diluted		51,929,226		51,424,979		51,817,588		51,254,547	

## Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Rate Analysis (Unaudited)

	Three Month	is Ended	Nine Month	ns Ended			
	Septembe	er 30,	September 30,				
	2016	2015	2016	2015			
Gross margin rate	70.2 %	70.0 %	70.1 %	69.2 %			
SG&A expense rate	60.3 %	60.8 %	57.5 %	59.1 %			
Income from operations margin rate	9.9 %	9.2 %	12.6 %	10.1 %			
Adjusted EBITDA margin rate	19.4 %	19.3 %	21.6 %	20.0 %			

## Non-GAAP Income Guidance Reconciliation

						2016 G	uida	nce				
			L	ow End					Hi	igh End		
					D	iluted					D	liluted
					Pe	r Share					Pe	r Share
(\$ in millions, except per share data)	Pr	etax	Net	t of Tax	A	nounts	Pretax		Net of Tax		Amounts	
GAAP income	\$	36	\$	22	\$	0.42	\$	38	\$	23	\$	0.44
Special charges <sup>(1)</sup>		2		1		0.02		2		1		0.02
Non-GAAP income <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	38	\$	23	\$	0.45	\$	40	\$	24	\$	0.47

<sup>(1)</sup> Shareholder and other litigation costs.
<sup>(2)</sup> Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

## Adjusted EBITDA Guidance Reconciliation

	201	2016 Guidance							
(\$ in millions)	Low End		High End						
GAAP Net Income	\$	22 \$	5 23						
Interest expense		2	2						
Income taxes		14	15						
Depreciation and amortization		23	23						
Special charges <sup>(1)</sup>		2	2						
Stock based compensation		4	4						
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	68 \$	5 70						
<sup>(1)</sup> Shareholder and other litigation costs.									

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