# UNITED STATES <br> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION <br> Washington, D.C. 20549 <br> FORM 8-K 

## CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

May 1, 2007
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

# QUAKER CHEMICAL CORPORATION 

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

## Commission File Number 001-12019

PENNSYLVANIA
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

No. 23-0993790
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

# One Quaker Park <br> 901 Hector Street <br> Conshohocken, Pennsylvania 19428 <br> (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) 

(610) 832-4000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

## Not Applicable

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

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Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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On May 1, 2007, Quaker Chemical Corporation announced its results of operations for the first quarter ended March 31, 2007 in a press release, the text of which is included as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibit is included as part of this report:

Exhibit No.

## 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 thereunto duly authorized.

QUAKER CHEMICAL CORPORATION
Registrant

By: /s/ Mark A. Featherstone
Mark A. Featherstone
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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## QUAKER CHEMICAL ANNOUNCES RECORD QUARTERLY SALES AND SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED EARNINGS FOR FIRST QUARTER 2007

## May 1, 2007

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA - Quaker Chemical Corporation (NYSE:KWR) today announced record quarterly sales for the first quarter 2007 of $\$ 124.9$ million and net income of $\$ 3.5$ million, a sales increase of $13.7 \%$, and a net income increase of $39 \%$, compared to the first quarter 2006. Earnings per share increased to $\$ 0.35$ per diluted share from $\$ 0.26$ per diluted share for the first quarter 2006.

## First Quarter 2007 Summary.

Net sales for the first quarter were $\$ 124.9$ million, compared to $\$ 109.8$ for the first quarter of 2006. The increase in net sales was primarily attributable to a combination of higher sales prices and volume growth. Volume growth was mainly attributable to double digit sales growth in China and higher revenue related to the Company's CMS channel. Foreign exchange rate translation also increased revenues by approximately $4 \%$ for the first quarter of 2007 , compared to the same period in 2006. Selling price increases were realized across all regions and market segments, in part, as an ongoing effort to offset higher raw material costs. CMS revenues were higher due to additional CMS accounts and the renewal and restructuring of several of the Company's CMS contracts.

Gross margin as a percentage of sales was $30.9 \%$ for the first quarter of 2007 , compared to $29.6 \%$ for the first quarter of 2006 . Higher selling prices and additional contribution from the Company's CMS channel helped improve margins. On a sequential basis, however, the first quarter 2007 gross margin percentage was below the fourth quarter 2006 gross margin percentage of $32.3 \%$, as higher CMS service revenues, which include revenues from third-party product sales to CMS accounts, have lower gross margin percentages than traditional product sales. This change in sales mix decreased gross margin as a percentage of sales by approximately 1.5 percentage points compared to the fourth quarter of 2006.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the quarter increased $\$ 4.6$ million, as compared to the first quarter of 2006 . Foreign exchange rate translation accounted for approximately $\$ 1.0$ million of the increase over the first quarter of 2006. Also negatively affecting the comparison with the prior year is a pension gain of $\$ 0.9$ million recorded in the first quarter of 2006 due to a legislative change. The remainder of the increase was due to continued planned spending in higher growth areas, primarily China, higher commissions as a result of higher sales, and increased incentive compensation as a result of higher earnings.

The increase in other income was the result of higher foreign exchange rate losses recorded in the prior year. The increase in net interest expense is attributable to higher average borrowings and higher interest rates.

The Company's effective tax rate was $32.9 \%$ for the first quarter of 2007 , compared to $36.2 \%$ for the first quarter of 2006 . The decrease in the effective tax rate was primarily attributable to a shifting of income to lower rate tax jurisdictions, which was offset in part by the Company's first quarter 2007 adoption of FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" ("FIN 48").

## Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Items

The Company's net debt has increased from December 31, 2006, primarily to fund working capital needs driven by higher sales late in the quarter and the start-up of a new operation in China. The Company's net debt-to-total capital ratio was $43 \%$ at March 31, 2007, compared to $40 \%$ at December 31 , 2006.

In connection with the adoption of FIN 48, the Company recorded a non-cash charge to shareholders' equity of $\$ 5.5$ million, which negatively impacted the Company's net debt-to-total capital ratio by approximately 1 percentage point.

Ronald J. Naples, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commented, "We had a fine first quarter resulting from increased contributions from strategic initiatives such as Asia/Pacific growth and CMS, as well as our continued actions on the pricing front. Virtually worldwide, we had solid results in the first quarter. Even though sequential quarterly gross margin percentage slipped a bit, due primarily to sales mix, we were able to achieve higher gross margin in dollar terms even as raw material costs ran considerably ahead of last year. This flowed from business expansion efforts and, importantly, from our work with customers to recognize the value we deliver as well as our cost realities. We continue to invest where we think we can get growth and feel good about our long-term future and the prospects of continuing earnings improvement in 2007."

Quaker Chemical Corporation is a leading global provider of process chemicals, chemical specialties, services, and technical expertise to a wide range of industries - including steel, automotive, mining, aerospace, tube and pipe, coatings, and construction materials. Our products, technical solutions, and chemical management services enhance our customers' processes, improve their product quality, and lower their costs. Quaker's headquarters is located near Philadelphia in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania.

This release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in such statements. A major risk is that the Company's demand is largely derived from the demand for its customers’ products, which subjects the Company to downturns in a customer's business and unanticipated customer production shutdowns. Other major risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, significant increases in raw material costs, customer financial stability, worldwide economic and political conditions, foreign currency fluctuations, and future terrorist attacks such as those that occurred on September 11, 2001. Other factors could also adversely affect us. Therefore, we caution you not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements. This discussion is provided as permitted by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

As previously announced, Quaker Chemical's investor conference call to discuss first quarter results is scheduled for May 2, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. (ET). Access the conference by calling 877-269-7756 or visit Quaker's Web site at www.quakerchem.com for a live webcast.

## Quaker Chemical Corporation

## Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income

## (Dollars in thousands, except per share data and share amounts)

|  | (Unaudited) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Three Months ended March 31, |  |  |  |
|  | 2007 |  | 2006 |  |
| Net sales | \$ | 124,891 | \$ | 109,816 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Cost of goods sold |  | 86,345 |  | 77,331 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Gross margin |  | 38,546 |  | 32,485 |
| \% |  | 30.9\% |  | 29.6\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Selling, general and administrative |  | 31,919 |  | 27,362 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating income |  | 6,627 |  | 5,123 |
| \% |  | 5.3\% |  | 4.7\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Other income, net |  | 327 |  | 128 |
| Interest expense, net |  | $(1,350)$ |  | (965) |
| Income before taxes |  | 5,604 |  | 4,286 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Taxes on income |  | 1,844 |  | 1,553 |
|  |  | 3,760 |  | 2,733 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Equity in net income of associated companies |  | 125 |  | 113 |
| Minority interest in net income of subsidiaries |  | (348) |  | (304) |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | 3,537 | \$ | 2,542 |
| \% |  | 2.8\% |  | 2.3\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Per share data: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income - basic | \$ | 0.36 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Net income - diluted | \$ | 0.35 | \$ | 0.26 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Shares Outstanding: |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 9,907,683 |  | 9,723,432 |
| Diluted |  | 0,024,905 |  | 9,816,149 |

# Quaker Chemical Corporation <br> Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet (Dollars in thousands, except par value and share amounts). 

|  | (Unaudited) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { March 31, } \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { December 31, } \\ 2006 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Current assets |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 10,787 | \$ | 16,062 |
| Accounts receivable, net |  | 118,834 |  | 107,340 |
| Inventories, net |  | 55,420 |  | 51,984 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets |  | 12,213 |  | 10,855 |
| Total current assets |  | 197,254 |  | 186,241 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Property, plant and equipment, net |  | 61,464 |  | 60,927 |
| Goodwill |  | 40,235 |  | 38,740 |
| Other intangible assets, net |  | 8,046 |  | 8,330 |
| Investments in associated companies |  | 6,840 |  | 7,044 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 33,197 |  | 28,573 |
| Other assets |  | 27,083 |  | 27,527 |
| Total assets | \$ | 374,119 | \$ | 357,382 |

## LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

| Current liabilities |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term debt | \$ | 3,702 | \$ | 4,950 |
| Accounts and other payables |  | 64,404 |  | 56,345 |
| Accrued compensation |  | 8,987 |  | 15,225 |
| Other current liabilities |  | 15,480 |  | 13,659 |
| Total current liabilities |  | 92,573 |  | 90,179 |
| Long-term debt |  | 90,535 |  | 85,237 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 5,493 |  | 5,317 |
| Other non-current liabilities |  | 71,139 |  | 61,783 |
| Total liabilities |  | 259,740 |  | 242,516 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Minority interest in equity of subsidiaries |  | 4,154 |  | 4,035 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Shareholders' equity |  |  |  |  |
| Common stock, \$1 par value; authorized $30,000,000$ shares; issued $10,083,434$ shares |  | 10,083 |  | 9,926 |
| Capital in excess of par value |  | 7,380 |  | 5,466 |
| Retained earnings |  | 110,365 |  | 114,498 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss |  | $(17,603)$ |  | $(19,059)$ |
| Total shareholders' equity |  | 110,225 |  | 110,831 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$ | 374,119 | \$ | 357,382 |

## Quaker Chemical Corporation

## Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

## For the Three Months ended March 31,

(Dollars in thousands)

|  | (Unaudited) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2007 |  |  | 2006 |
| Cash flows from operating activities |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 3,537 |  | 2,542 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation |  | 2,719 |  | 2,495 |
| Amortization |  | 339 |  | 351 |
| Equity in net income of associated companies, net of dividends |  | 44 |  | 92 |
| Minority interest in earnings of subsidiaries |  | 348 |  | 304 |
| Deferred income tax |  | 361 |  | (361) |
| Deferred compensation and other, net |  | 267 |  | (184) |
| Stock-based compensation |  | 262 |  | 171 |
| (Gain) Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment |  | 5 |  |  |
| Insurance settlement realized |  | (265) |  | (72) |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits |  | (869) |  | $(1,865)$ |
| Increase (decrease) in cash from changes in current assets and current liabilities, net of acquisitions: |  |  |  |  |
| Accounts receivable |  | $(10,633)$ |  | $(6,425)$ |
| Inventories |  | $(3,019)$ |  | $(3,696)$ |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets |  | (873) |  | $(2,330)$ |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities |  | 2,749 |  | 245 |
| Change in restructuring liabilities |  | - |  | $(2,912)$ |
| Net cash used in operating activities |  | $(5,028)$ |  | $(11,645)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash flows from investing activities |  |  |  |  |
| Capital expenditures |  | $(2,721)$ |  | $(1,655)$ |
| Payments related to acquisitions |  | $(1,000)$ |  | $(1,000)$ |
| Insurance settlement received and interest earned |  | 143 |  | 75 |
| Change in restricted cash, net |  | 122 |  | (3) |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(3,456)$ |  | $(2,583)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash flows from financing activities |  |  |  |  |
| Net (decrease) increase in short-term borrowings |  | $(1,262)$ |  | $(2,504)$ |
| Proceeds from long-term debt |  | 5,277 |  | 12,340 |
| Repayments of long-term debt |  | (225) |  | (233) |
| Dividends paid |  | $(2,137)$ |  | $(2,090)$ |
| Stock options exercised, other |  | 1,809 |  | 101 |
| Distributions to minority shareholders |  | (270) |  | (350) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities |  | 3,192 |  | 7,264 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash |  | 17 |  | 448 |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents |  | $(5,275)$ |  | $(6,516)$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period |  | 16,062 |  | 16,121 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period | \$ | $\underline{\text { 10,787 }}$ | \$ | $\xrightarrow{9,605}$ |

