MOTHERS WORK INC Form 8-K November 19, 2008

# **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 18, 2008

# **MOTHERS WORK, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in Charter)

#### Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) **0-21196** Commission File number 13-3045573 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

456 North 5th Street Philadelphia, PA 19123 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(215) 873-2200 (Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 18, 2008, Mothers Work, Inc. (*Mothers Work* or the *Company*) issued a press release and held a broadly accessible conference call to discuss its financial results for its fourth fiscal quarter and fiscal year ended September 30, 2008. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The press release contained non-GAAP financial measures within the meaning of the Securities and Exchange Commission s Regulation G, including: (a) Adjusted EBITDA (operating income (loss) before deduction for the following non-cash charges: (i) depreciation and amortization expense; (ii) loss on impairment of long-lived assets; (iii) loss (gain) on disposal of assets; and (iv) stock-based employee compensation expense), together with the percentage of net sales represented by this measure, (b) Adjusted EBITDA before restructuring and other charges, together with the percentage of net sales represented by this measure, (c) Adjusted net income (loss) before loss on extinguishment of debt and restructuring and other charges, (d) Adjusted net income (loss) before loss on extinguishment of debt, restructuring and other charges and stock compensation expense, (e) Adjusted net income (loss) per share diluted, before loss on extinguishment of debt, restructuring and other charges and stock compensation expense.

Mothers Work believes that each of these non-GAAP financial measures provides useful information about the Company s results of operations to both investors and management. Each non-GAAP financial measure is provided because management believes it is an important measure of financial performance used in the retail industry to measure operating results, to determine the value of companies within the industry and to define standards for borrowing from institutional lenders. Mothers Work uses each of these non-GAAP financial measures as a measure of the performance of the Company. Mothers Work provides these measures to investors to assist them in performing their analysis of its historical operating results. Each of these non-GAAP financial measures reflects a measure of the Company s operating income as an indicator of the Company s operating performance, or as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities as a measure of the Company s liquidity, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Mothers Work may calculate each of these non-GAAP financial measures is an alternative to reach flows from operating activities as a measure of the Company s liquidity, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Mothers Work may calculate each of these non-GAAP financial measures.

With respect to the non-GAAP financial measures discussed in the press release, Mothers Work has provided, as an attachment to such press release, a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures.

The disclosure in this Current Report, including in the Exhibits attached hereto, of any financial information shall not constitute an admission that such information is material.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit No.Description99.1Press release of Mothers Work, Inc. issued November 18, 2008.

#### 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 duly authorized.

Date: November 19, 2008

MOTHERS WORK, INC.

By:

/s/ Judd P. Tirnauer Judd P. Tirnauer Chief Financial Officer

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

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