DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/

Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

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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 April 30, 2009 (Date of earliest event reported) Commission File Number 0-16211 DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

39-1434669

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

221 West Philadelphia Street,	
York, Pennsylvania (Address of principal executive offices)	17405-0872 (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (717) 845-7511	
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(d	e) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition
The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition."
On April 30, 2009, the Company issued a press release disclosing its first quarter 2009 sales and earnings. This earnings release references net sales, excluding precious metal content, net income, excluding certain unusual items, and an effective tax rate, excluding certain unusual items, all of which could be considered measures not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (non-GAAP measures). Due to the fluctuations of precious metal prices and because the precious metal content of the Company's sales is largely a pass-through to customers and has minimal effect on earnings, the Company reports sales both with and without precious metal content to show the Company's performance independent of precious metal price volatility and to enhance comparability of performance between periods. Earnings from continuing operations, excluding certain unusual items, and the effective tax rate, excluding certain unusual items are presented to enhance the comparability between periods. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit (99.1) and is hereby incorporated by reference.
Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits
(a) Financial Statements - Not applicable.
(b) Exhibits:
99.1 The Dentsply International Inc. First Quarter 2009 earnings release issued April 30, 2009 as referenced in Item 2.02.

SIGNATURE
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.
DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC
(Company)
/s/ William R. Jellison William R. Jellison
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
Date: April 30, 2009