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 25, 2018

JAKKS PACIFIC, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **0-28104** (Commission File Number) **95-4527222** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2951 28th Street, Santa Monica, California (Address of principal executive offices)

90405 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (424) 268-9444

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 25, 2018 we issued a press release announcing our first quarter results for 2018. A copy of such release is annexed hereto as an exhibit. Such financial information included in the Exhibit attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d)	Exhibits	
	<u>Exhibit</u>	Description
	99.1	October 25, 2018 Press Release

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.

JAKKS PACIFIC, INC.

Dated: October 25, 2018

By: <u>/s/ BRENT NOVAK</u> Brent Novak, CFO

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit</u>	Description
<u>99.1</u>	October 25, 2018 Press Release

JAKKS Pacific Reports Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--October 25, 2018--JAKKS Pacific, Inc. (NASDAQ: JAKK) today reported financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2018.

Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Net sales for the third quarter were \$236.7 million, compared to \$262.4 million reported in the comparable period in 2017. Net income attributable to JAKKS Pacific for the third quarter was \$15.7 million, or \$0.38 per diluted share, which includes weighted shares of 21.3 million associated with the Company's outstanding convertible notes. This compares to a net loss attributable to JAKKS Pacific of \$17.6 million, or \$0.77 per diluted share, for the comparable period in 2017. Adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter of 2018 was \$27.0 million, compared to Adjusted EBITDA of \$38.6 million in the third quarter of 2017. See note below on "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information."

Management Commentary

JAKKS Chairman and CEO Stephen Berman stated, "As was the case in the first half, during the third quarter we continued to see the impact of the U.S. liquidation of Toys R Us, which offset the positive contribution of several successful product lines, including Incredibles 2, Fancy Nancy, Perfectly Cute, Squish-Dee-Lish® and MorfBoard®. The net sales declines of 10% in the quarter and 9% year-to-date were primarily the result of the loss of sales to Toys R Us and the disruption from its stores' liquidation throughout the marketplace.

"We saw expected declines in several entertainment-driven properties, but we were pleased with the performance of our new product segments. The investments in the C'est Moi[™] and MorfBoard® brands continue to show momentum as distribution broadens.

"Like other companies in our industry, we have seen shifts in the retail landscape that require us to adapt our cost structure and overhead, and we are taking steps to reduce our operating costs and improve our profit potential. Earlier this month, we initiated a plan to reduce our global workforce and consolidate certain of our operations and functions to reduce overhead, most of which we expect to be realized in calendar year 2019.

"As we look ahead to the holiday season, we continue to focus on new product launches and keeping retail inventories lean. We expect the toy industry in 2019 to benefit from the continued shift in sales to healthier retailers and a robust license environment."

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company's cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, totaled \$57.1 million as of September 30, 2018, compared to \$48.8 million at September 30, 2017 and \$65.0 million at December 31, 2017.

Convertible Senior Note Retirement

On July 26, 2018, the Company exchanged \$8.0 million of the 2018 convertible senior notes held by Oasis Management with new convertible senior notes with terms similar to the notes issued to Oasis Management in November 2017. The new notes mature in November 2020.

On August 1, 2018, the Company retired the remaining \$13.2 million of the Company's 2018 convertible senior notes.

Expression of Interest from Hong Kong Meisheng Cultural Company Limited ("Meisheng")

Meisheng recently reiterated its proposal to purchase sufficient newly issued shares of the Company's common stock such that it would own 51% of the Company's outstanding shares at a price per share of \$2.95, subject to certain conditions. As part of its ongoing review of strategic alternatives, the Special Committee of the Company's Board of Directors has authorized its advisors to engage in discussions and negotiations with Meisheng concerning its proposal, including matters relating to structure, timing, post-closing governance and matters relating to closing conditions including optimization of the post-transaction capital structure, the successful resolution of change in control provisions of key licensing agreements, and change in control and extension of maturities of the Company's convertible senior notes and other indebtedness. Although there can be no assurance that agreements will be reached with respect to these matters, the Company and Meisheng are working together expeditiously to consider Meisheng's proposal.

2018 Outlook

The Company believes the market disruption and lingering effects of the Toys R Us bankruptcy and liquidation in the United States and internationally will continue to persist through the balance of 2018, and will result in a decline in net revenues in 2018 when compared to 2017.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information

In addition to the preliminary results reported in accordance with U.S. GAAP included in this release, the Company has provided certain non-GAAP financial information including Adjusted EBITDA which is a non-GAAP metric that excludes various items that are detailed in the financial tables and accompanying footnotes reconciling GAAP to non-GAAP results contained in this release. Management believes that the presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures provides useful information to investors because the information may allow investors to better evaluate ongoing business performance and certain components of the Company's results. In addition, the Company believes that the presentation of these financial measures enhances an investor's ability to make period-to-period comparisons of the Company's operating results. This information should be considered in addition to the results presented in accordance with GAAP, and should not be considered a substitute for the GAAP results. The Company has reconciled the non-GAAP financial information included in this release to the nearest GAAP measures. See the attached "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Information."

Conference Call and Live Webcast

JAKKS Pacific will webcast its third quarter earnings call at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time / 6:00 a.m. Pacific Time today. Management will host the call, followed by a question and answer session.

Conference Call Details: Date: Thursday, October 25, 2018 Time: 6:00 a.m. PT / 9:00 p.m. ET Toll-Free Dial-in Number: (800) 708-4539 International Dial-in Number: (847) 619-6396 Conference ID: 47717352

For the conference call, please dial-in 5-10 minutes prior to the start time and an operator will register your name and organization.

Investors can also listen to the live webcast and access the accompanying presentation slides by going to <u>www.jakks.com/investors</u> and clicking on the earnings website link under the Presentations tab. Please log in at least 10 minutes prior to register, download and install any necessary audio software.

A replay of the call will be available on JAKKS' website approximately one hour following completion of the call through November 1, 2018, ending at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time / 8:59 p.m. Pacific Time. The playback can be accessed by calling (888) 843-7419 or (630) 652-3042 for international callers, with passcode "47717352#" for both playback numbers.

About JAKKS Pacific, Inc.

JAKKS Pacific, Inc. (NASDAQ: JAKK) is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of toys and consumer products sold throughout the world, with its headquarters in Santa Monica, California. JAKKS Pacific's popular proprietary brands include BIG-FIGSTM, XPV®, Max TowTM, Disguise®, Moose Mountain®, Funnoodle®, Maui®, Kids Only!®; a wide range of entertainmentinspired products featuring premier licensed properties; and C'est MoiTM, a youth skincare and make-up brand. Through JAKKS Cares, the company's commitment to philanthropy, JAKKS is helping to make a positive impact on the lives of children. Visit us at <u>www.jakks.com</u> and follow us on Instagram (@jakkstoys), Twitter (@jakkstoys) and Facebook (JAKKS Pacific).

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Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" (within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) that are based on current expectations, estimates and projections about JAKKS Pacific's business based partly on assumptions made by its management. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in such statements due to numerous factors, including, but not limited to, those described above, changes in demand for JAKKS' products, product mix, the timing of customer orders and deliveries, the impact of competitive products and pricing, and difficulties with integrating acquired businesses. The "forward-looking statements" contained herein speak only as of the date on which they are made, and JAKKS undertakes no obligation to update any of them to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release.

JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

		Sep	otember 30, 2018	December 31, 2017 housands)		
	ASSETS		(In tho			
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	52.177	\$	64,977	
Restricted cash		Ŧ	4,967	+	-	
Accounts receivable, net			205,412		142,457	
Inventory			64,451		58,432	
Prepaid expenses and other assets			26,485		16,803	
Total current assets			353,492		282,669	
Property and equipment			141,989		141,357	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization			120,802		118,130	
Property and equipment, net			21,187		23,227	
Goodwill			35,197		35,384	
Intangibles and other assets, net			37,715		29,069	
Total assets		\$	447,591	\$	370,349	
LI	ABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQU	ITY				
Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		\$	191,151	\$	92,061	
Reserve for sales returns and allowances			30,270		17,622	
Short term debt, net			19,365		26,075	
Total current liabilities			240,786		135,758	
Long term debt, net			145,056		133,497	
Other liabilities			4,364		4,537	
Income taxes payable			994		1,261	
Deferred tax liability, net			787		783	
Total liabilities			391,987		275,836	
Stockholders' equity:						
Common stock, \$.001 par value			30		27	
Additional paid-in capital			217,468		215,809	
Treasury stock			(24,000)		(24,000)	
Accumulated deficit			(124,354)		(85,233)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss			(14,548)		(13,059)	
Total JAKKS Pacific, Inc. stockholders' equity			54,596		93,544	
Non-controlling interests			1,008		969	
Total stockholders' equity			55,604	<u>_</u>	94,513	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity		\$	447,591	\$	370,349	

JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2018		2017		2018		2017		
	(In thousands, ex	cept per share data)		(In thousands, exce		ept per share data)		
Net sales	\$	236,699	\$	262,413	\$	435,484	\$	476,483	
Less cost of sales									
Cost of goods		134,115		146,279		248,432		264,013	
Royalty expense		33,119		48,857		62,754		76,480	
Amortization of tools and molds		5,135		5,496		9,068		10,469	
Cost of sales		172,369		200,632		320,254		350,962	
Gross profit		64,330		61,781		115,230		125,521	
Direct selling expenses		15,805		13,925		38,286		35,449	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		26,951		39,260		99,340		106,168	
Depreciation and amortization		1,428		2,806		4,923		7,946	
Goodwill and other intangibles impairment		-		13,536		-		13,536	
Acquisition related and other		103		-		436		-	
Income (loss) from operations		20,043		(7,746)		(27,755)		(37,578)	
Other income (expense):									
Income from joint ventures		-		-		227		105	
Other income		223		110		304		292	
Loss on extinguishment of convertible senior notes		(453)		-		(453)		-	
Write-off of investment in DreamPlay LLC		-		(7,000)		-		(7,000)	
Change in fair value of convertible senior notes		917		-		(2,514)		-	
Interest income		19		12		47		26	
Interest expense		(3,097)		(2,027)		(7,230)		(7,496)	
Income (loss) before provision for (benefit from) income taxes		17,652		(16,651)		(37,374)		(51,651)	
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes		1,953		918		1,708		890	
Net income (loss)		15,699		(17,569)		(39,082)		(52,541)	
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests		17		45		39		131	
Net income (loss) attributable to JAKKS Pacific, Inc.	\$	15,682	\$	(17,614)	\$	(39,121)	\$	(52,672)	
Income (loss) per share - basic	\$	0.68	\$	(0.77)	\$	(1.69)	\$	(2.53)	
Shares used in income (loss) per share - basic		23,106		22,772		23,104		20,848	
Income (loss) per share - diluted	\$	0.38	\$	(0.77)	\$	(1.69)	\$	(2.53)	
Shares used in income (loss) per share - diluted		45,686		22,772		23,104		20,848	

JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Information (Unaudited)

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP measures:

This press release and accompanying schedules provide certain information regarding Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Net Income (Loss), which may be considered non-GAAP financial measures under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The non-GAAP financial measures included in the press release are reconciled to the corresponding GAAP financial measures below, as required under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the use of non-GAAP financial measures. We define Adjusted EBITDA as income (loss) from operations before depreciation, amortization and adjusted for certain non-recurring and non-cash charges, such as reorganization expenses and restricted stock compensation expense. Net income (loss) is similarly adjusted and tax-effected to arrive at Adjusted Net Income (Loss). Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Net Income (Loss) are not recognized financial measures under GAAP, but we believe that they are useful in measuring our operating performance. We believe that the use of the non-GAAP financial measures enhances an overall understanding of the Company's past financial performance, and provides useful information to the investor by comparing our performance across reporting periods on a consistent basis.

Investors should not consider these measures in isolation or as a substitute for net income, operating income, or any other measure for determining the Company's operating performance that is calculated in accordance with GAAP. In addition, because these measures are not calculated in accordance with GAAP, they may not necessarily be comparable to similarly titled measures employed by other companies.

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2017		2018		2017			
		usands)		(In tho		ousands)			
Net income (loss)	\$	15,699	\$	(17,569)	\$	(39,082)	\$	(52,541)	
Income from joint ventures		-		-		(227)		(105)	
Other income		(223)		(110)		(304)		(292)	
Loss on extinguishment of convertible senior notes		453		-		453		-	
Interest income		(19)		(12)		(47)		(26)	
Interest expense		3,097		2,027		7,230		7,496	
Provision for (benefit from) from income taxes		1,953		918		1,708		890	
Depreciation and amortization		6,563		8,302		13,991		18,415	
Acquisition related and other		103		-		436		-	
Restricted stock compensation expense		760		793		1,747		2,253	
Goodwill and other intangibles impairment		-		13,536		-		13,536	
Write-off of investment in DreamPlay LLC		-		7,000		-		7,000	
Bad debt write-offs (recoveries)		(504)		7,307		11,964		9,612	
Inventory impairment		-		4,369		-		4,369	
Change in fair value of convertible senior notes		(917)		-		2,514		-	
Restructuring charge		-		200		-		200	
Minimum guarantee shortfalls		-		11,886		3,468		11,886	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	26,965	\$	38,647	\$	3,851	\$	22,693	

Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,				
2018		2017		2018		2017		
(In thousands, e	xcept per sha	(In thousands, except per share data)					
\$	15,682	\$	(17,614)	\$	(39,121)	\$	(52,672)	
	760		793		1,747		2,253	
	453		-		453		-	
	(504)		7,307		11,964		9,612	
	103		-		436		-	
	(917)		-		2,514		-	
	-		11,886	3,468			11,886	
	-		13,536	-			13,536	
	-		7,000	-			7,000	
	-		4,369		-		4,369	
	-		200		-		200	
	85		(7,191)		(2,018)		(7,927)	
\$	15,662	\$	20,286	\$	(20,557)	\$	(11,743)	
\$	0.68	\$	0.89	\$	(0.89)	\$	(0.56)	
	23,106		22,772		23,104		20,848	
\$	0.38	\$	0.55	\$	(0.89)	\$	(0.56)	
	45,686		39,384		23,104		20,848	
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