#### 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): July 20, 2016

#### 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

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-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 July 20, 2016 we issued a press release announcing our second quarter results for 2016. 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>	<b>Description</b>
	99.1	July 20, 2016 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: July 20, 2016

By: <u>/s/ JOEL M. BENNETT</u> Joel M. Bennett, CFO

# EXHIBIT INDEX

# Exhibit Description

99.1 July 20, 2016 Press Release

## JAKKS Pacific Reports Second Quarter 2016 Financial Results

## **Company Reiterates Growth in 2016 Financial Guidance**

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 20, 2016--JAKKS Pacific, Inc. [NASDAQ: JAKK] today reported financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2016.

## **Second Quarter Highlights**

- Sales increased 8 percent
- Gross margin increased 180 basis points
- Operating margin improved 150 basis points
- Net loss attributable to JAKKS Pacific decreased 23 percent
- Adjusted EBITDA increased 166 percent
- Inventory levels declined 22 percent year over year

Net sales for second quarter 2016 increased 8 percent to \$141.0 million from \$131.1 million reported in the comparable period in 2015. The reported net loss attributable to JAKKS Pacific for second quarter 2016 was \$4.4 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share, down from a net loss of \$5.7 million, or \$0.30 per diluted share, reported in the comparable period in 2015. Adjusted EBITDA for the second quarter increased to \$4.0 million, compared to Adjusted EBITDA of \$1.5 million in 2015. See note below on "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information."

## First Half 2016 Financial Overview

Net sales for the six months ending June 30, 2016 were \$236.8 million compared to \$245.3 million in 2015. The reported net loss attributable to JAKKS Pacific for the six month period was \$21.8 million, or \$1.30 per diluted share. This compares to a net loss for the first six months of 2015 of \$13.3 million, or \$0.69 per diluted share. Adjusted EBITDA for the first six months of 2016 was negative \$5.1 million, compared to Adjusted EBITDA of \$0.6 million for the first six months of 2015.

"We had a solid second quarter performance in line with expectations, and we delivered better than consensus revenue and earnings with continuing margin improvement and operating efficiencies reflected in the increased Adjusted EBITDA year over year. This marks the third consecutive second quarter showing year-over-year growth in revenue and earnings," said Stephen Berman, JAKKS Pacific Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

"We believe we have created a strong foundation as we head into the important second half of the year. I am confident we can continue the momentum of growth and profitability with our compelling portfolio of brands, and innovative product introductions in the back half of the year," said Berman.

In second half 2016, JAKKS Pacific is set to unveil several new exciting products across a number of categories for the upcoming Fall and holiday seasons. From magical dolls to mini-collectibles to radio controlled vehicles, JAKKS Pacific has a robust line-up of on-trend and engaging products for kids and kids at heart. A few highlights include Northern Lights Elsa, the next iteration of JAKKS Pacific successful large-scale Frozen dolls this year features a magical light show on Elsa's dress; kids can transform Cinderella's look with Disney Princess Magical Wand Cinderella which features lights, sounds and music; Gift 'ems, the only collectible mini-doll line which features the universally known gift box to surprise girls with a "friend" from different cities around the world; XPV Skateboarding Mikey inspired by the popular Michelangelo character from the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles; BIG-FIGS large-scale figures based on the popular Star Wars franchise as well as the DC Universe; Nintendo characters are all the rage and we will release new World of Nintendo action figures and vehicles; new waves of the Tsum Tsum line of collectible figures featuring characters from the vast library of both Disney and Marvel; and, two new additions to our Disney line with the introduction of Elena of Avalor and Disney/Pixar's Moana. In addition, JAKKS Pacific is geared up to serve as global distributor for Glow Friends by Roxo, an innovative line of interactive light-up characters; and as U.S. distributor for Ooshies by Headstart, a line of collectible characters featuring popular licenses.

# Working Capital and Cash Flow

As of June 30, 2016, the Company's working capital was \$216.5 million, including cash and cash equivalents of \$86.7 million, compared to working capital of \$232.0 million including cash and cash equivalents of \$110.5 million as of June 30, 2015. Net cash used in operating activities for the second quarter was \$11.2 million, compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$11.5 million in the year ago period.

# **Reiterating 2016 Guidance**

For 2016, JAKKS Pacific continues to forecast net sales to increase 7 percent to approximately \$800.0 million; diluted earnings per share to increase 10 percent to approximately \$0.78 per share, subject to share count changes; and Adjusted EBITDA to increase 28 percent to approximately \$65.0 million. This guidance reflects anticipated gross margin expansion and operating margin growth in 2016.

### **Share Repurchase**

In June 2015, the Board of Directors authorized the Company to repurchase up to \$30.0 million worth of shares of the Company's outstanding common stock and/or convertible notes. Approximately 3.2 million shares of common stock at an aggregate cost of \$25.2 million, \$0.7 million face amount of our 2018 convertible notes at a cost of \$0.7 million and \$2.0 million face amount of our 2020 convertible notes at a cost of \$1.9 million were repurchased through the end of the second quarter. At quarter-end, approximately \$2.2 million remained available in the current buy-back authorization.

## **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 Live Webcast**

JAKKS Pacific will webcast its second quarter earnings call at 9 a.m. Eastern Time/6 a.m. Pacific Time today. To listen to the live webcast and access the accompanying presentation slides, go to <u>www.jakks.com/investors</u> and click on the earnings website link under Presentations at least 10 minutes prior to register, download and install any necessary audio software. A replay of the call will be available on JAKK Pacific's website approximately one hour following completion of the call through August 19, 2016 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, passcode "4293 5558#" 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-FIGS™, XPV®, Real Construction®, Max Tow™ and Friends, Disguise®, Moose Mountain®, Funnoodle®, Maui®, Kids Only! ®, as well a wide range of entertainment-inspired products featuring premier licensed properties. DreamPlay Toys, LLC is a joint venture between JAKKS and NantWorks LLC to develop, market and sell toys and related consumer products incorporating NantWorks' proprietary *iD*<sup>TM</sup> recognition technology. Through JAKKS Cares, the Company's commitment to philanthropy, JAKKS Pacific 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 Pacific's 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

		June 30, 2016 (I:		December 31, 2015 In thousands)	
	ASSETS				
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	86,693	\$	102,528
Restricted cash			9,933		-
Accounts receivable, net			132,892		163,387
Inventory, net			71,468		60,544
Income taxes receivable			23,435		24,008
Prepaid expenses and other			28,102		31,901
Total current assets			352,523		382,368
Property and equipment			121,111		112,088
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization			97,011		93,653
Property and equipment, net			24,100		18,435
Goodwill			43,631		44,199
Trademarks & other assets, net			42,638		47,618
Investment in DreamPlay, LLC			7,000		7,000
Total assets		\$	469,892	\$	499,620

#### LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

\$ 105,166	\$	89,067
8,960		17,267
21,926		21,067
 136,052		127,401
207,526		209,166
5,173		5,155
2,325		2,199
 2,297		2,293
353,373		346,214
21		21
179,421		194,743
(24,701)		(28,322)
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#### JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries Second Quarter Earnings Announcement, 2016 Condensed Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2016		2015		2016		2015	
	(	(In thousands, except per share data)			(In thousands, except per share data)				
Net sales	\$	140,977	\$	131,106	\$	236,786	\$	245,307	
Less cost of sales									
Cost of goods		74,815		73,338		126,993		135,839	
Royalty expense		19,299		16,797		30,533		32,314	
Amortization of tools and molds		2,063		1,684		3,277		2,489	
Cost of sales		96,177		91,819		160,803		170,642	
Gross profit		44,800		39,287		75,983		74,665	
Direct selling expenses		8,892		9,239		20,451		16,101	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		34,415		30,662		65,033		61,419	
Depreciation and amortization		2,593		2,394		5,415		4,352	
Loss from operations		(1,100)		(3,008)		(14,916)		(7,207)	
Other income (expense):									
Income from joint ventures		861		1,684		861		1,684	
Other income		-		-		75		-	
Interest income		18		16		34		35	
Interest expense		(3,220)		(3,106)		(6,446)		(6,080)	
Loss before provision for income taxes		(3,441)		(4,414)		(20,392)		(11,568)	
Provision for income taxes		704		1,313		1,136		1,740	
Net loss		(4,145)		(5,727)		(21,528)		(13,308)	
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests		224		(47)		256		(47)	
Net loss attributable to JAKKS Pacific, Inc.	\$	(4,369)	\$	(5,680)	\$	(21,784)	\$	(13,261)	
Loss per share - basic and diluted	\$	(0.27)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(1.30)	\$	(0.69)	
Shares used in loss per share		16,402		19,108		16,818		19,115	

#### JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA For the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

#### Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP measures:

This press release and accompanying schedules provide certain information regarding Adjusted EBITDA, 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 charges incurred, primarily related to reorganization expenses and certain non-cash charges for restricted stock compensation expense. Adjusted EBITDA is not a recognized financial measure under GAAP, but we believe that it is useful in measuring our operating performance. We believe that the use of the non-GAAP financial measure Adjusted EBITDA end to reorganize 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 and the use of Adjusted EBITDA by other companies as a measure of performance.

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 June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,				
	2016		2015		2016		2015		
	(In thousands)				(In thousands)				
Net loss	\$	(4,145)	\$	(5,727)	\$	(21,528)	\$	(13,308)	
Income from joint ventures		(861)		(1,684)		(861)		(1,684)	
Other income		-		-		(75)		-	
Interest income	(18)			(16)		(34)		(35)	
Interest expense		3,220		3,106		6,446		6,080	
Provision for income taxes	704			1,313		1,136		1,740	
Loss from operations		(1,100)		(3,008)		(14,916)		(7,207)	
Depreciation and amortization		4,656		4,078		8,692		6,841	
Restricted stock compensation expense		461		440		1,084		944	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	4,017	\$	1,510	\$	(5,140)	\$	578	

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