
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 3, 2005

McGRATH RENTCORP
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

California (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-13292 94-2579843 (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employee Identification No.)

5700 Las Positas Road, Livermore, CA 94551-7800 (Address of principal executive offices)

(925) 606-9200 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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- |_| 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 November 3, 2005, McGrath RentCorp (the "Company") announced via press release the Company's results for its third quarter ended September 30, 2005. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. This Form 8-K and the attached exhibit are provided under Items 2.02 and 9.01 of Form 8-K and are furnished to, but not filed with, the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release of McGrath RentCorp, dated November 3, 2005.

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.

McGRATH RENTCORP

Dated: November 3, 2005 By: /s/ Thomas J. Sauer

Thomas J. Sauer

Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

McGrath RentCorp Announces Third Quarter Results; Q3 2005 EPS Increases 26% to \$0.48; Company Increases 2005 EPS Guidance Range to \$1.57 to \$1.62

LIVERMORE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 3, 2005--McGrath RentCorp (NASDAQ:MGRC) today announced revenues for the quarter ended September 30, 2005, of \$77.8 million, compared to \$72.5 million in third quarter 2004. The Company reported net income of \$12.1 million, or \$0.48 per share, compared to \$9.4 million, or \$0.38 per share in the third quarter 2004.

For the third quarter of 2005, Mobile Modular's total revenues increased 23% from \$39.6 million to \$48.7 million with both rental and sales revenues improving on the continued strength in the educational market. Sales revenues for the quarter included three large sale projects totaling \$11.7 million, of which \$5.8 million were related to damages caused by the recent hurricanes. The large sale projects recognized in the quarter are of a similar nature as the single sale project of \$9.3 million recognized in third quarter 2004. The Company views these types of large sale projects as unique opportunities and generally would not expect sale projects of a similar size to occur on a regular basis. Mobile Modular's significant increase in revenues led to a 29% increase in its pre-tax income to \$13.6 million. As of September 30, 2005, Mobile Modular's backlog of sale projects related to the recent hurricanes totaled \$8.5 million and will be recognized during the fourth quarter 2005. Looking forward, Mobile Modular anticipates additional hurricane related rental and sale opportunities, although the extent and duration remains uncertain. For TRS-RenTelco, third quarter 2005 rental revenues decreased 2% to \$18.4 million from \$18.7 million, though, gross profit on rents increased to \$7.9 million from \$7.2 million a year ago due to lower depreciation expense, contributing to the quarter's pre-tax income increase to \$5.1 million from \$4.5 million.

"Our third quarter 2005 earnings reflect our first full quarter-over-quarter comparison of TRS-RenTelco's results since the merger in June 2004," stated Dennis Kakures, President and CEO. "The EPS increase of 26% for the quarter demonstrates the impact of new classroom rental and sale activity in 2005 and greater profitability in our test equipment business.

"We continue to measure the strength of our modular business by growth in both top-line rental revenues and gross profit on rents. We believe these metrics provide the best gauge of the potential horsepower of our modular economic engine going forward. Quarter-over-quarter growth for rental revenues was 13% to \$20.9 million and related gross profit grew 22% to \$13.3 million, both of which were records. We continue to benefit from the recurring rental stream from educational facility rentals in the geographic markets we serve. In California, we experienced higher than normal classroom returns during the quarter as public school modernization projects were completed and equipment was returned. We expect redeployment of the great majority of these classrooms to occur over the next twelve months. In Florida, business activity levels have continued very favorably, as we support the needs of school districts in both enrollment growth and the implementation of class size reduction. Also, as a result of the recent hurricanes, we have and will continue to respond to modular rental and sale opportunities in the Texas and Southeastern markets.

"For our test equipment business, pre-tax income and gross profit on rents reached their highest levels to date for the combined TRS-RenTelco business. Although top-line rental revenues were down slightly from a year ago, we continue to more effectively manage our rental inventory by selling underutilized equipment, ending the quarter with utilization of 70.9%, which lowered depreciation as a percentage of rents and improved rental margin to 42.9%. We also continue to invest in the latest technology test equipment to support new rental opportunities and believe we have put in place the cost structure and operating disciplines that will support our future earnings growth."

THIRD QUARTER 2005 HIGHLIGHTS (AS COMPARED TO THIRD QUARTER 2004)

- -- Rental revenues increased 6% to \$39.2 million. Within rental revenues, Mobile Modular increased 13% from \$18.4 million to \$20.9 million; TRS-RenTelco decreased 2% from \$18.7 million to \$18.4 million, yet improved sequentially from the second quarter 2005 level of \$17.2 million.
- -- Sales revenues increased 10% to \$31.0 million, resulting primarily from Mobile Modular's increased sales volume, which included \$5.8 million of sales revenues related to requirements related to the recent hurricanes. Higher sales

volume combined with a higher gross margin percentage, 26.5% in 2005 compared to 20.3% in 2004, resulted in a gross profit increase of \$2.5 million. Sales revenues and related gross margins can fluctuate from quarter to quarter depending on customer requirements, equipment availability and funding.

- -- Depreciation of rental equipment decreased 7% to \$10.8 million, with Mobile Modular increasing 13% to \$2.4 million and TRS-RenTelco decreasing 12% to \$8.3 million from \$9.4 million in 2004. The TRS-RenTelco decrease was due to the determination in April 2005 to extend the useful lives on two models of test equipment (quarterly impact of \$0.6 million) and the net impact of selling underutilized equipment and rental equipment becoming fully depreciated, offset by new equipment purchases.
- -- Debt decreased \$11.4 million during the quarter to \$154.6 million, with the Company's total liabilities to equity ratio decreasing from 1.83 to 1 at June 30, 2005 to 1.80 to 1 as of September 30, 2005. On July 11, 2005, the Company amended its existing lines of credit to increase the borrowing capacity from \$135.0 million to \$195.0 million and extend the expiration dates to June 30, 2008. As of September 30, 2005, the Company, under its lines of credit, had capacity to borrow an additional \$100.4 million.
- -- Dividend rate increased 27% to \$0.14 per share for the third quarter 2005, as compared to \$0.11 per share for the third quarter of 2004. On an annualized basis, this dividend represents a 2.0% yield on the November 2, 2005 close price of \$28.18.

It is suggested that the press release be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's latest Form 10-K and Forms 10-Q. You can visit the Company's web site at www.mgrc.com to access information on McGrath RentCorp, including the latest filings on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q.

FINANCIAL GUIDANCE

The Company expects its 2005 full-year earnings per share to be in a range of \$1.57 to \$1.62 per diluted share. Such a forward-looking statement reflects McGrath RentCorp's expectations as of November 3, 2005. Actual 2005 full-year earnings per share results may be materially different and affected by many factors, including those factors outlined in the "forward-looking statements" paragraph at the end of this press release.

About McGrath RentCorp

Founded in 1979, the Company, under the trade name Mobile Modular Management Corporation, rents and sells modular buildings to fulfill customers' temporary and permanent space needs in California, Texas and Florida. Mobile Modular believes it is the largest provider of relocatable classrooms for rental to school districts for grades K - 12 in California. The Company's TRS-RenTelco division rents and sells electronic test equipment and is one of the leading providers of general purpose and communications test equipment in North America.

CONFERENCE CALL NOTE: As previously announced in its press release of October 12, 2005, McGrath RentCorp will host a conference call at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (2:00 p.m. Pacific Time) on November 3, 2005 to discuss the third quarter 2005 results. To participate in the teleconference, dial 1-800-218-8862 (international callers dial 1-303-262-2143). In addition, a live webcast and replay of the call may be found in the investor relations section of the Company's website at www.mgrc.com. Telephone replay of the call will be available for 48 hours following the call by dialing 1-800-405-2236 (in the U.S.) or 1-303-590-3000 (outside the U.S.). The pass code for the call replay is 11041135.

This press release contains statements, which constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. These statements appear in a number of places. Such statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "believes," "expects," "may," "estimates," "will," "should," "plans" or "anticipates" or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy. These include our expectation regarding revenue being generated from our backlog of sale

projects related to the recent hurricanes, our expectation regarding additional future hurricane related rental and sale opportunities, our expectation regarding redeployment of the higher than normal California classroom returns over the next twelve months, our expectation that the cost structure and operating disciplines in our TRS-RenTelco business will support future earnings growth for that business, our expectation regarding the annual dividend yield, and our 2005 full-year earnings per share guidance. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may vary materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. These factors include the effectiveness of management's strategies and decisions, general economic and business conditions, the condition of the telecommunications industry, new or modified statutory or regulatory requirements, continuing demand for modular products, timely delivery and installation of modular products, delays of future sales projects, changing prices and market conditions. There may be other factors not listed above that could cause actual results to vary materially from the forward-looking statements described in this press release.

MCGRATH RENTCORP

Consolidated earnings, balance sheet and segment data follow: (in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Mont Septem	hs Ended ber 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
-	2005	2004	2005	2004	
REVENUES					
Rental \$ Rental Related	,		\$112,000		
Services -	6,929	6,613	18,439 	16,958	
Rental Operations Sales Other	46,169 30,986 607	28,208	130,439 62,093 2,033		
Total Revenues	77,762	72,540	194,565	143,208	
COSTS AND EXPENSES					
Direct Costs of Rental Operations Depreciation of Rental Equipment	10,763	11,589	33,090	20,725	
Rental Related Services Other	4,474 7,338	3,981 7,465	•	•	
Total Direct Costs of Rental Operations Costs of Sales	22,575 22,767	23,035	67,358 45,175	48, 185	
Total Costs	45,342	45,531	112,533	80,914	
Gross Profit Selling and	32,420	27,009	82,032	62,294	
Administrative	10,543	9,641	29,524	23, 294	
Income from Operations Interest	21,877 2,095		52,508 5,726		
Income Before Provision for Income Taxes Provision for Income	19,782	15,792	46,782	35,476	
Taxes	7,517	6,301	17,777	14,155	
Income Before Minority Interest Minority Interest in	12,265	9,491	29,005	21,321	

Income of Subsidiary	1	.94		111	:	291	82	
Net Income	\$ 12,0			380			\$21,239	
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Earnings Per Share: Basic Diluted Shares Used in Per Share Calculation:		49 48		9.39 9.38		. 17 . 14	\$ 0.87 \$ 0.86	
Basic Diluted			24, 24,				24,304 24,716	
BALANCE SHEET DATA	September 2005	30,	2004	31,				
Rental Equipment, net Total Assets Notes Payable Shareholders' Equity	529,4 154,6	.07 .23	\$ 357, 474, 151, 166,	. 280 . 888				
SEGMENT DATA (Unaudited)								
(in thousands)	Modulars						solidate	d -
Three Months Ended September 30,								
2005 Rental Revenues Rental Related Services	\$ 20,886	\$		\$		\$		
Revenues Sales and Other Revenues	6,670 21,112		259 6,251		 4 220		6,929 31,593	
Total Revenues Depreciation of Rental	48,668				4,230		77,762	
Equipment	2,422		8,341				10,763	;
Gross Profit	20,824				1,579		32,420	1
Interest Expense (Income) Allocation	1,514		638		(57)		2,095	
Income before Provision for Income Taxes Rental Equipment	13,615		5,068		1,099		19,782	
Acquisitions Accounts Receivable, net	19,450		8,651				28,101	
(period end) Rental Equipment, at	48,673		18,209		7,328		74,210	١
cost (period end) Rental Equipment, net	388,814	1	152,474				541,288	
book value (period end) Utilization (period	290,309	1	100,861				391,170	
end)(1) Average Utilization(1)	84.1% 84.7%		70.9% 68.3%					
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2004 Rental Revenues Rental Related Services	,	\$	18,697	\$		\$	37,113	
Revenues	6,264		349 7,752				6,613	
Sales and Other Revenues Total Revenues	14,893 39,573		26,798		6,169 6,169		28,814 72,540	
Depreciation of Rental					,			
Equipment	2,152		9,437				11,589	
Gross Profit Interest Expense	16,458		9,304		1,247		27,009	
(Income) Allocation Income before Provision	1,094		518		(36)		1,576	į
for Income Taxes Rental Equipment	10,528		4,509		755		15,792	
Acquisitions Accounts Receivable, net	10,641		11,854				22,495	'
(period end) Rental Equipment, at	38,910		20,816		3,013		62,739	
cost (period end) Rental Equipment, net	330,818	1	146,938				477,756	i
book value (period end) Utilization (period	238,659	1	17,201				355,860	1
end)(1) Average Utilization(1)	86.3% 86.3%		65.2% 65.0%					

SEGMENT DATA (Unaudited)								
(in thousands)	Modulars	El	ectronics	Env	iroplex	Con	solidated	-
Nine Months Ended September 30,								
2005								
Rental Revenues	\$ 59,498	\$	52,502	\$		\$	112,000	
Rental Related Services Revenues	17,449		990				19 /20	
Sales and Other Revenues	35,193		20,596		8,337		18,439 64,126	
Total Revenues	112, 140		74,088		8,337		194,565	
Depreciation of Rental	112/110		,		0,001		10.,000	
Equipment	6,814		26,276				33,090	
Gross Profit	52,582		26,251		3,199		82,032	
Interest Expense								
(Income) Allocation	4,089		1,810		(173)		5,726	
Income before Provision								
for Income Taxes	33,401		11,721		1,660		46,782	
Rental Equipment								
Acquisitions	55,132		25,518				80,650	
Accounts Receivable, net	49 672		10 200		7 220		74 210	
(period end) Rental Equipment, at	48,673		18,209		7,328		74,210	
cost (period end)	388,814		152,474				541,288	
Rental Equipment, net	300,014		102,414				341, 200	
book value (period end)	290,309		100,861				391,170	
Utilization (period	, , , , , ,		,				,	
end)(1)	84.1%		70.9%					
Average Utilization(1)	85.3%		64.9%					
2004								
Rental Revenues	\$ 52,314	\$	30,382	\$		\$	82,696	
Rental Related Services	Ψ 02,014	Ψ	00,002	Ψ		Ψ	02,000	
Revenues	16,239		719				16,958	
Sales and Other Revenues	22,381		13,324		7,849		43,554	
Total Revenues	90,934		44, 425		7,849		143, 208	
Depreciation of Rental								
Equipment	6,201		14,524				20,725	
Gross Profit	44,284		16,345		1,665		62,294	
Interest Expense								
(Income) Allocation	2,802		834		(112)		3,524	
Income before Provision	00 000		0 001		550		05 470	
for Income Taxes	28,089		6,831		556		35,476	
Rental Equipment Acquisitions	22 220		124 500				157 910	
Accounts Receivable, net	33,220		124,599				157,819	
(period end)	38,910		20,816		3,013		62,739	
Rental Equipment, at	55,510		20,010		5,515		02,100	
cost (period end)	330,818		146,938				477,756	
Rental Equipment, net	555,525		,				,	
book value (period end)	238,659		117,201				355,860	
Utilization (period ´	•		•				-	
end)(1)	86.3%		65.2%					
Average Utilization(1)	85.4%		60.6%					
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(1) Utilization is calculated each month by dividing the cost of rental equipment on rent by the total cost of rental equipment excluding new equipment inventory and accessory equipment. The average utilization for the period is calculated using the average costs of rental equipment.

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