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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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): August 4, 2014 (August 4, 2014)

Avis Budget Group, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-10308
(Commission File Number)

06-0918165
(IRS Employer Identification Number)

6 Sylvan Way
Parsippany, NJ
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07054
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (973) 496-4700

N/A

(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

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:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 4, 2014, we reported our second quarter 2014 results. Our second quarter 2014 results are discussed in detail in the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this item, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished, not filed. Accordingly, the information in this item will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by Avis Budget Group, Inc., under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated August 4, 2014.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ David T. Calabria

David T. Calabria

Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: August 4, 2014

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AVIS BUDGET GROUP REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2014 RESULTS

- Revenue increased 10% to \$2.2 billion.
- North America pricing increased 4%, excluding Payless.
- Adjusted EBITDA increased 19% to \$213 million.
- Diluted earnings per share increased 36% to \$0.68, excluding certain items, on GAAP net income of \$26 million.
- Company raises its 2014 Adjusted EBITDA and earnings per share estimates.

PARSIPPANY, N.J., August 4, 2014 - Avis Budget Group, Inc. (**NASDAQ: CAR**) today reported results for its second quarter ended June 30, 2014. For the quarter, the Company reported revenue of \$2.2 billion, a 10% increase compared with the prior-year second quarter. Adjusted EBITDA increased 19% to \$213 million. The Company reported net income of \$74 million, or \$0.68 per share, an increase of 36%, excluding certain items, and GAAP net income of \$26 million, or \$0.24 per share.

“Our strong second quarter results were driven by our continued growth in both volume and pricing in North America and our relentless focus on accelerating growth in our most profitable channels,” said Ronald L. Nelson, Avis Budget Group Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. “Summer volume and pricing have continued the trends we saw in the first half of the year, and we expect to post record results in our third quarter.”

Executive Summary

Revenue increased 10% in second quarter 2014 compared to second quarter 2013 primarily due to an 8% increase in rental days and increased pricing in North America. Excluding the acquisition of Payless and the effect of currency movements, revenue grew 10% and pricing in North America increased 5% year-over-year. Second quarter Adjusted EBITDA increased 19% to \$213 million, primarily due to higher rental volumes and increased year-over-year pricing in North America.

Payless Car Rental, acquired by the Company in July 2013, contributed \$31 million to revenue and \$5 million to Adjusted EBITDA in the second quarter.

Business Segment Discussion

The following discussion of second quarter operating results focuses on revenue and Adjusted EBITDA for each of our operating segments. Revenue and Adjusted EBITDA are expressed in millions.

North America

(Consisting of the Company's U.S. car rental operations, Canadian vehicle rental operations and North American car sharing operations)

	2014	2013	% change
Revenue	\$ 1,427	\$ 1,279	12%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 157	\$ 115	37%

Revenue increased 12% primarily due to a 5% increase in volume and 4% higher pricing, excluding Payless, as well as the acquisition of Payless. Adjusted EBITDA increased 37% primarily due to higher volume and pricing, partially offset by a 1% increase in per-unit fleet costs. Excluding the acquisition of Payless, revenue grew 9% and Adjusted EBITDA increased 32%.

International

(Consisting of the Company's international vehicle rental and car sharing operations)

	2014	2013	% change
Revenue	\$ 667	\$ 621	7%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 57	\$ 58	(2%)

Revenue increased 7% primarily due to a 2% increase in rental days, a 6% increase in total revenue per rental day (which excludes licensee revenues and was comprised of a 15% increase in ancillary revenue per day and no change in reported pricing). Adjusted EBITDA decreased 2% due a \$5 million negative impact from currency exchange movements, partially offset by revenue growth and synergies from the integration of our European operations.

Truck Rental

(Consisting of the Company's U.S. truck rental operations)

	2014	2013	% change
Revenue	\$ 100	\$ 102	(2%)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 13	\$ 17	(24%)

Truck Rental revenue declined 2% due to a 6% decrease in volume, as our truck rental fleet was 12% smaller in 2014. Adjusted EBITDA declined by \$4 million in the second quarter due to lower volume and higher per-unit fleet costs associated with newly acquired rental fleet.

Other Items

- **Share Repurchases** - The Company repurchased more than 1.3 million shares of its common stock at a cost of \$75 million in the second quarter. As of June 30, 2014, the Company has repurchased a total of 4.6 million shares at a cost of approximately \$200 million since August 2013.
- **Debt Refinancing** - In May, the Company completed an offering of \$400 million of senior notes due 2022 with a yield-to-maturity of 5.125%. The Company used the proceeds from the offering to redeem the remaining \$395 million of its outstanding 8.25% senior notes due 2019.
- **"Tuck-in" Acquisitions** - In June, the Company acquired eleven airport concession agreements from Advantage for approximately \$6 million.

Outlook

The Company today increased its full-year 2014 projections of revenue, Adjusted EBITDA and earnings per share. The Company now expects:

- Full-year 2014 revenue will be approximately \$8.6 billion to \$8.7 billion, an 8% to 10% increase compared to 2013. In the Company's North America segment, rental days are expected to increase 5% to 7%, and pricing is expected to increase approximately 2% in 2014.
- Adjusted EBITDA will increase 12% to 18%, to approximately \$860 million to \$910 million.
- Per-unit fleet costs in its North America segment will be approximately \$300 to \$310 per month in 2014, compared to \$299 per month in 2013. Total Company fleet costs are expected to be \$295 to \$305 per unit per month in 2014, an increase of approximately 2% to 5% compared to 2013.
- Interest expense related to corporate debt will be approximately \$210 million, a reduction of \$18 million compared to 2013.
- 2014 non-vehicle depreciation and amortization expense (excluding the amortization of intangible assets related to acquisitions) will be approximately \$150 million.
- Pretax income will be approximately \$500 million to \$550 million, excluding certain items.
- Its effective tax rate in 2014 will be approximately 38%, excluding certain items, and its diluted share count will be approximately 111 to 112 million, including the effect of repurchasing \$225 million to \$300 million of outstanding shares in 2014.

Based on these expectations, the Company estimates that its 2014 diluted earnings per share, excluding certain items, will increase 25% to 39% compared to 2013, to \$2.75 to \$3.05.

The Company also continues to target \$1 billion or more of Adjusted EBITDA in 2015.

Investor Conference Call

Avis Budget Group will host a conference call to discuss second quarter results on August 5, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. (ET). Investors may access the call live at ir.avisbudgetgroup.com or by dialing (630) 395-0021 and providing the access code "Avis Budget." Investors are encouraged to dial in approximately 10 minutes prior to the call. A web replay will be available at ir.avisbudgetgroup.com following the call. A telephone replay will be available from 11:00 a.m. (ET) on August 5 until 8:00 p.m. (ET) on August 23 at (402) 220-9757, access code: "Avis Budget."

About Avis Budget Group

Avis Budget Group, Inc. is a leading global provider of vehicle rental services, both through its Avis and Budget brands, which have more than 10,000 rental locations in approximately 175 countries around the world, and through its Zipcar brand, which is the world's leading car sharing network, with more than 880,000 members. Avis Budget Group operates most of its car rental offices in North America, Europe and Australia directly, and operates primarily through licensees in other parts of the world. Avis Budget Group has approximately 29,000 employees and is headquartered in Parsippany, N.J. More information is available at www.avisbudgetgroup.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements preceded by, followed by or that otherwise include the words "believes", "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "projects", "estimates", "plans", "may increase", "forecast" and similar expressions or future or conditional verbs such as "will", "should", "would", "may" and "could" are based upon then current assumptions and expectations and are generally forward-looking in nature and not historical facts. Any statements that refer to outlook, expectations or other characterizations of future events, circumstances or results, including all statements related to our outlook, future results, future fleet costs, acquisition synergies, cost-saving initiatives and future share repurchases are also forward-looking statements.

Various risks that could cause future results to differ from those expressed by the forward-looking statements included in this press release include, but are not limited to, the Company's ability to promptly and effectively integrate acquired businesses, any change in economic conditions generally, particularly during our peak season or in key market segments, the high level of competition in the vehicle rental industry, a change in our fleet costs as a result of a change in the cost for new vehicles and/or the value of used vehicles, disruption in the supply of new vehicles, vehicle recalls, disposition of vehicles not covered by manufacturer repurchase programs, the financial condition of the manufacturers that supply our rental vehicles, which could impact their ability to perform their obligations under our repurchase and/or guaranteed depreciation arrangements, any change in travel demand, including any change in airline passenger traffic, any occurrence or threat of terrorism, a significant increase in interest rates or borrowing costs, our ability to obtain financing for our global operations, including the funding of our vehicle fleet via the asset-backed securities market, any changes to the cost or supply of fuel, any fluctuations related to the market of derivatives which hedge our exposure to exchange rates, interest rates and fuel costs, our ability to meet the financial and other covenants contained in the agreements governing our indebtedness, risks associated with litigation, regulation or governmental or regulatory inquiries or investigations involving the Company, changes to our share repurchase plans, and our ability to accurately estimate our future results and implement our strategy for cost savings and growth. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could also have material adverse effects on the Company's performance or achievements. In light of these risks, uncertainties, assumptions and factors, the forward-looking events discussed in this press release may not occur. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date stated, or if no date is stated, as of the date of this press release. Important assumptions and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements are specified in Avis Budget Group's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 and Avis Budget Group's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2014, included under headings such as "Forward-Looking Statements", "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", and in other filings and furnishings made by the Company with the SEC from time to time. Except for the Company's ongoing obligations to disclose material information under the federal securities laws, the Company undertakes no obligation to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements, to report events or to report the occurrence of unanticipated events unless required by law.

This release includes financial measures such as Adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow, as well as metrics that exclude certain items that are not considered generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") measures as defined under SEC rules. Important information regarding such measures is contained on Table 1 and Table 5 of this release. The Company believes that these non-GAAP measures are useful in measuring the comparable results of the Company period-over-period. The GAAP measures most directly comparable to Adjusted EBITDA, free cash flow and income (loss) before income taxes, net income (loss) and diluted earnings per share, excluding certain items, are income (loss) before income taxes, net cash provided by operating activities, net income (loss), net income (loss) and diluted earnings per share, respectively. Because of the forward-looking nature of the Company's forecasted non-GAAP measures, specific quantifications of the amounts that would be required to reconcile forecasted income (loss) before income taxes, net cash provided by operating activities, net income (loss) and diluted earnings per share are not available. The Company believes that there is a degree of volatility with respect to certain of the Company's GAAP measures which preclude the Company from providing accurate forecasted GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliations. Based on the above, the Company believes that providing estimates of the amounts that would be required to reconcile the range of the non-GAAP measures to forecasted GAAP measures would imply a degree of precision that would be confusing or misleading to investors for the reasons identified above.

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