
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 27, 2005

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 120510 (Commission File Number) 38-3640097 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

11355 Stephens Road, Warren, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)

48089 (Zip Code)

(586) 920-0100 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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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 July 27, 2005, Universal Services Truckload, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's financial results for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended July 2, 2005, a copy of which is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 27, 2005 announcing the Company's financial and operating results for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended July 2, 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, thereunto duly authorized.

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC.

Date: July 27, 2005 /s/ Robert E. Sigler

Robert E. Sigler

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. REPORTS RECORD REVENUE AND NET INCOME FOR THE THIRTEEN AND TWENTY-SIX WEEKS ENDED JULY 2, 2005

WARREN, Mich., July 27 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Universal Truckload Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: UACL) today announced record financial results for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended July 2, 2005.

For the thirteen weeks ended July 2, 2005, operating revenues increased 62.0%, or \$48.8 million, to \$127.5 million from \$78.7 million for the thirteen weeks ended July 3, 2004. Included in operating revenues are fuel surcharges of \$7.2 million and \$2.1 million for the second quarters of 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net income increased 52.0%, or \$1.5 million, to \$4.4 million, or \$0.27 per share for the 2nd quarter of 2005, from \$2.9 million, or \$0.29 per share, for the second quarter of 2004. Great American Lines, Inc. and CrossRoad Carriers, Inc., which were acquired in August and November 2004, respectively, generated combined operating revenues of \$31.5 million and net income of \$1.0 million in the second quarter of 2005.

Universal's truckload revenue in the second quarter of 2005 increased by 43.4% to \$79.9 million from \$55.8 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Brokerage revenue in the second quarter of 2005 increased by 150.8% to \$35.8 million from \$14.3 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Intermodal revenue in the second quarter of 2005 increased by 35.7% to \$11.8 million from \$8.7 million in the corresponding period of 2004.

For the twenty-six weeks ended July 2, 2005, operating revenues increased 64.6%, or \$97.5 million, to \$248.5 million from \$151.0 million for the twenty-six weeks ended July 3, 2004. Included in operating revenues are fuel surcharges of \$13.0 million and \$3.4 million for the first two quarters of 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net income increased 64.3%, or \$3.1 million, to \$7.9 million, or \$0.54 per share for the first half of 2005, from \$4.8 million, or \$0.48 per share, for the first half of 2004. Great American Lines, Inc. and CrossRoad Carriers, Inc., which were acquired in August and November 2004, respectively, generated combined operating revenues of \$64.0 million and net income of \$2.1 million in the first half of 2005.

Universal's truckload revenue in the first half of 2005 increased by 45.0% to \$154.0 million from \$106.2 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Brokerage revenue in the first half of 2005 increased by 157.2% to \$72.0 million from \$28.0 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Intermodal revenue in the first half of 2005 increased by 34.3% to \$22.5 million from \$16.7 million in the corresponding period of 2004.

"We are very pleased with our operating results in the second quarter of 2005," stated Universal's President and CEO Don Cochran. "Our revenue and net income growth continues to be strong. We have been able to grow our operating revenues, both organically and through our acquisitions of Great American Lines and CrossRoad Carriers. In the second quarter, truckload, brokerage and intermodal revenues grew organically at 14.5%, 43.1% and 35.7%, respectively. In total, operating revenues grew organically by \$17.3 million or 22.0%."

Universal Truckload Services, Inc. is primarily a non-asset based provider of transportation services to shippers throughout the United States and in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The Company's trucking services include both flatbed and dry van operations and the Company provides rail- truck and steamship-truck intermodal support services. The Company also offers truck brokerage services.

Some of the statements contained in this press release might be considered forward-looking statements. These statements identify prospective information. Forward-looking statements are based on information available at the time and/or management's good faith belief with respect to future events, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual performance or results to differ materially from those expressed in the statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations described. Additional information about the factors that may adversely affect these forward-looking statements is contained in the Company's reports and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting forward-looking information except to the extent required by applicable securities laws.

	Т	hirteen W	Ended	Twenty-six Weeks Ended				
	July 2, 2005			July 3, 2004		July 2, 2005		July 3, 2004
Operating revenues:								
Truckload	\$	79,944	\$	55,764	\$	154,018	\$	106,236
Brokerage		35,807		14,275		71,962		27,981
Intermodal		11,765		8,672		22,481		16,734
Total operating								
revenues		127,516		78,711		248,461		150,951
Operating expenses:								
Purchased transportation		97,146		58,380		188,671		111,895
Commissions expense		8,310		6,331		15,920		12,120
Other operating expense,								
net		1,587		1,033		3,420		2,097
Selling, general, and								
administrative		9,738		5,660		19,195		11,576
Insurance and claims		2,789		1,926		6,490		3,867
Depreciation and								
amortization		1,025		759		2,060		1,604
Total operating								
expenses		120,595		74,089		235,756		143,159
Income from		·		,		•		·
operations		6,921		4,622		12,705		7,792
Interest income (expense),								
net		150		(94)		(15)		(210)
Income before income						` ,		•
taxes		7,071		4,528		12,690		7,582
Provision for income taxes		2,687		1,643		4,822		2,792
Net income	\$	4,384	\$	2,885	\$	7,868	\$	4,790
Earnings per common share:		,		,		,		,
Basic and diluted	\$	0.27	\$	0.29	\$	0.54	\$	0.48
Average common shares			•				•	
outstanding:								
		16,118		10,023		14,630		10,023

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands)

	July 2, 2005	Dec	cember 31, 2004
Assets	 		
Cash and cash equivalents Marketable securities Accounts receivable - net Other current assets Total current assets Property and equipment - net Other long-term assets - net Total assets	\$ 32,891 651 62,344 5,456 101,342 27,433 14,492 143,267		904 - 59,441 8,257 68,602 23,831 12,851 105,284
Liabilities and shareholders' equity (deficit) Total current liabilities Total long-term liabilities Total liabilities Total shareholders' equity (deficit) Total liabilities and shareholders'	\$ 37,987 1,449 39,436 103,831	\$	117,520 4,589 122,109 (16,825)
equity (deficit)	\$ 143,267	\$	105,284

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. Summary of Operating Data (Unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended				Twenty-six Weeks Ended					
	July 2, 2005			July 3, 2004		July 2, 2005	July 3, 2004			
Average number of tractors provided by owner-operators Truckload Intermodal		2,329 321		1,796 283		2,340 313		1,750 287		
Truckload Revenues: Average operating revenues per loaded mile (1) Average operating revenues per loaded mile, excluding fuel surcharges (1) Average operating revenues per load (1) Average operating revenues per load, excluding fuel surcharges (1) Average length of haul (1) Number of loads (1)	\$	2.18	\$	1.90	\$	2.15	\$	1.84		
	\$	2.01	\$	1.83	\$	1.99	\$	1.79		
	\$	792 395 92,876	\$	972 940 513 57,380	\$	773 389 184,075	\$	921 894 499 115,407		
Brokerage Revenues: Average operating revenues per loaded mile (1) Average operating revenues per load (1) Average length of haul (1)(2) Number of loads (1)	\$	1.90 1,185 623 22,292	\$	1.55 887 572 16,099	\$	1.83 1,132 617 45,645	\$	1.57 860 549 32,551		
Intermodal Revenues: Drayage (in thousands) Depot (in thousands)	\$	10,355 1,410	\$ \$	7,812 860	\$ \$	19,822 2,659	\$ \$	14,889 1,845		
Total (in thousands)	\$	11,765	\$	8,672	\$	22,481	\$	16,734		
Average operating revenues per loaded mile Average operating revenues per loaded mile, excluding fuel surcharges Average operating revenues per load	\$	4.06	\$	3.23	\$	4.03	\$	3.11		
	\$ \$	3.74 269	\$ \$	3.13 258	\$ \$	3.74 270	\$ \$	3.03 258		
Average operating revenues per load, excluding fuel surcharges Number of loads	\$	248 38,477	\$	251 30,258	\$	250 73,481	\$	251 57,773		

⁽¹⁾ Excludes operating data from CrossRoad Carriers, Inc. in order to improve the relevance of the statistical data related to our truckload and brokerage services and improve the comparability to our peer companies.

SOURCE Universal Truckload Services, Inc.

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⁽²⁾ Average length of haul is computed using loaded miles.