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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) November 2, 2006

HENRY SCHEIN, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE	0-27078	11-3136595		
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission File	IRS Employer		
of incorporation)	Number)	(Identification No.)		

 135 DURYEA ROAD, MELVILLE, NEW YORK
 11747

 (Address of principal executive offices)
 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (631) 843-5500

NOT APPLICABLE

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

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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 2, 2006, Henry Schein, Inc. issued a press release reporting the financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006. The full text of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated November 2, 2006.

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.

HENRY SCHEIN, INC.

By: /s/ Steven Paladino

Steven Paladino Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (principal financial and accounting officer)

November 2, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description 99.1 Press Release dated November 2, 2006. FOR:

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HENRY SCHEIN REPORTS RECORD THIRD QUARTER RESULTS Net sales increase 13%, diluted EPS from continuing operations up 19% Tightens range of 2006 guidance, introduces 2007 guidance

MELVILLE, N.Y. - November 2, 2006 - Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq: HSIC), the largest provider of healthcare products and services to office-based practitioners in the combined North American and European markets, today reported financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2006.

Net sales for the third quarter of 2006 were \$1.27 billion, an increase of 13.0% from the third quarter of 2005 (See Exhibit A for details of sales growth). This increase includes 11.6% local currency growth (5.0% internally generated and 6.6% from acquisitions net of divestiture) and 1.4% related to foreign currency exchange.

Net income and income from continuing operations for the third quarter of 2006 were \$39.3 million or \$0.44 per diluted share. There was no impact of discontinued operations for the current quarter. Third quarter 2006 income and diluted earnings per share from continuing operations were up 18.0% and 18.9%, respectively, compared with the prior-year third quarter. Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the new accounting rules on expensing stock-based compensation per Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R) on a retrospective basis. All periods presented have been adjusted to give effect to FAS No. 123(R), which amounted to approximately 0.03 per share in the third quarter of 2006, and \$0.04 per share in the third quarter of 2005. During the third quarter of 2006, the Company elected to change its method of assessing the effectiveness of net investment hedges, as permitted by FAS No. 133. As a result, the Company stopped applying hedge accounting to certain previously existing hedging relationships which resulted in a non-recurring pre-tax gain of approximately \$2.0 million.

"We posted solid financial results during the third quarter, with particular strength from our Dental Group. Our quarterly results were impacted by the timing of receipt of influenza vaccine from

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manufacturers, which this year will predominantly be in the fourth quarter," said Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Henry Schein. "We are pleased today to introduce 2007 diluted EPS guidance that represents growth of 18% to 21% compared with the mid-point of our expected 2006 results."

For the quarter, Dental sales increased 16.4%, including 15.6% growth in local currencies (9.8% internally generated and 5.8% from acquisitions) and 0.8% related to foreign currency exchange. Of the 15.6% local currency growth, Dental consumable merchandise sales increased 14.2% (8.1% internally generated and 6.1% from acquisitions) and Dental equipment sales and service revenues were up 20.1% (15.4% internally generated and 4.7% from acquisitions).

"Our Dental Group gained significant market share during the quarter, reporting impressive internal sales growth. This is an ongoing reflection of the growing array of products and services we bring to our customers, as well as effective and innovative marketing initiatives and a highly trained field sales force," commented Mr. Bergman. "During the third quarter we saw a continued trend toward the value-added distribution channel among various Dental manufacturers. As a leader in the industry, Henry Schein is ideally positioned to benefit from this trend. Further enhancing our high-technology product offering, we signed an exclusive, multi-year agreement with Biolase Technology, Inc. (Nasdaq: BLTI) to collaborate in the marketing, sales and service of all professional Biolase dental laser system products, including the Waterlase(R) MD - the industry's leading hard and soft tissue dental laser system.'

Medical sales increased 8.9% during the third quarter (0.6% decline in internal growth offset by 9.5% acquisition growth net of divestiture). "Medical Group sales performance was impacted by lower sales of tetanus-diptheria and influenza vaccines compared with the prior-year third quarter," explained Mr. Bergman. "We are pleased that in early October GlaxoSmithKline PLC (NYSE: GSK) received FDA approval to sell FluLaval(TM), and we began shipping product soon thereafter."

For the guarter, International sales increased 12.3%, including 8.2% growth in local currencies (3.4% internally generated and 4.8% from acquisitions) and 4.1% related to foreign currency exchange.

Technology and Value-Added Services sales during the third quarter of 2006 were 17.3% ahead of prior year, including 16.9% growth in local currencies (14.7% internally generated and 2.2% acquisition growth) and 0.4% related to foreign currency exchange. Electronic claims services revenues continued a strong double-digit growth trend, and software and financial services revenues also posted solid gains.

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Year-to-Date Results

For the first nine months of 2006, net sales of \$3.7 billion represents an increase of 11.0% compared with the first nine months of 2005. This increase includes 11.2% local currency growth (6.3% internally generated and 4.9% from acquisitions net of divestiture) offset by a 0.2% decline related to foreign currency exchange. Income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 2006 was \$120.1 million reflecting 18.3% growth compared with the prior year. Earnings per diluted share from continuing operations of \$1.34 for the first nine months of 2006 represents 16.5% growth over the comparable period in 2005.

Stock Repurchase Plan

The Company announced that it repurchased 47,861 shares of common stock during the third quarter at an average price of \$47.24 per share. Approximately \$86 million remains authorized for future stock repurchases. The impact of the repurchase of shares under this program on third quarter diluted EPS was immaterial.

2006 EPS Guidance

Henry Schein provides 2006 financial guidance, as follows:

- 2006 diluted EPS is expected to be \$2.11 to \$2.14 including the impact of expensing stock-based compensation per Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R).
- o This 2006 diluted EPS guidance includes Henry Schein's expectations that it will distribute approximately 13.5 million doses of influenza vaccine during 2006, including product manufactured by GSK (which includes the former ID Biomedical Corporation), Novartis AG (NYSE: NVS), which includes the former Chiron Corporation, and the Sanofi-Aventis Group (NYSE: SNY). This compares to the previous expectation of 15 to 17 million doses.
- 2006 diluted EPS guidance is for current continuing operations including completed or previously announced acquisitions, and does not include the impact of potential future acquisitions, if any.

2007 EPS Guidance

Henry Schein introduces 2007 financial guidance, as follows:

o 2007 diluted EPS is expected to be \$2.51 to \$2.57. This represents an increase of 18% to 21% compared with the mid-point of the Company's 2006 diluted EPS guidance.

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- o This 2007 diluted EPS guidance includes Henry Schein's expectations that it will distribute more than 20 million doses of influenza vaccine during the year.
- 2007 diluted EPS guidance is for current continuing operations including completed or previously announced acquisitions, and does not include the impact of potential future acquisitions, if any.

Third Quarter Conference Call Webcast

The Company will hold a conference call to discuss third quarter financial results today, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time. Individual investors are invited to listen to the conference call over the Internet through Henry Schein's Web site at www.henryschein.com. In addition, a replay will be available beginning shortly after the call has ended.

About Henry Schein

Henry Schein, a Fortune 500(R) company, is recognized for its excellent customer service and highly competitive prices. The Company's four business groups - Dental, Medical, International and Technology - serve more than 500,000 customers worldwide, including dental practices and laboratories, physician practices and veterinary clinics, as well as government and other institutions. The Company operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, which provides customers in more than 200 countries with a comprehensive selection of more than 70,000 national and Henry Schein private-brand products in stock, as well as over 100,000 additional products available to our customers as special order items.

Henry Schein also offers a wide range of innovative value-added practice solutions for healthcare professionals, such as ArubA(R), the Company's electronic catalog and ordering system. Its leading practice-management software solutions have been installed in more than 50,000 practices, including DENTRIX(R) and Easy Dental(R) for dental practices, and AVImark(R) for veterinary clinics.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein employs more than 11,000 people and has operations in 19 countries. The Company's sales reached a record \$4.6 billion in 2005. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at www.henryschein.com.

In accordance with the "Safe Harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, we provide the following cautionary remarks regarding important factors which, among others, could cause future results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, expectations and assumptions expressed or implied herein. All forward-looking statements made by us are subject to risks and uncertainties and are not guarantees of future performance. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance and achievements, or industry results to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements are identified by the use of such terms as "may," "could,"

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"expect," "intend," "believe," "plan," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "anticipate" or other comparable terms. A full discussion of our operations and financial condition, including factors that may affect our business and future prospects, is contained in documents we have filed with the SEC and will be contained in all subsequent periodic filings we make with the SEC. These documents identify in detail important risk factors that could cause our actual performance to differ materially from current expectations.

Risk factors and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from current and historical results include, but are not limited to: competitive factors; changes in the healthcare industry; changes in government regulations that affect us; financial risks associated with our international operations; fluctuations in quarterly earnings; our dependence on third parties for the manufacture and supply of our products; transitional challenges associated with acquisitions; regulatory and litigation risks; the dependence on our continued product development, technical support and successful marketing in the technology segment; our dependence upon sales personnel and key customers; our dependence on our senior management; possible increases in the cost of shipping our products or other service trouble with our third-party shippers; risks from rapid technological change; risks from potential increases in variable interest rates; financial risks associated with acquisitions; possible volatility of the market price of our common stock; certain provisions in our governing documents that may discourage third-party acquisitions of us; and changes in tax legislation that affect us. The order in which these factors appear should not be construed to indicate their relative importance or priority.

We caution that these factors may not be exhaustive and that many of these factors are beyond our ability to control or predict. Accordingly, forwardlooking statements should not be relied upon as a prediction of actual results. We undertake no duty and have no obligation to update forward-looking statements.

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HENRY SCHEIN, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2006	September 24, 2005	September 30, 2006	September 24, 2005		
Net sales Cost of sales	\$ 1,272,020 911,014	\$ 1,125,363 808,632	\$ 3,654,161 2,596,093	\$ 3,292,788 2,353,327		
Gross profit		316,731	1,058,068	939,461		
Selling, general and administrative	298,331		857,727	760,762		
Operating income			200,341			
Interest expense	(6,541)		12,028 (21,237) 2,180	4,469 (18,286) 915		
Income from continuing operations before taxes, minority interest and equity in earnings of affiliates Income taxes Minority interest in net income of subsidiaries Equity in earnings of affiliates	61,935 (21,715) (1,181) 246	54,373 (19,907) (1,241) 79		(60,979)		
Income from continuing operations	39,285		120,130	101,577		
Discontinued operations: Loss from operations of discontinued components Income tax benefit		(16,951) 6,948	(32,279) 12,911	6,953		
Loss from discontinued operations		(10,003)	(19,368)			
Net income	\$	\$ 23,301	\$ 100,762	\$ 91,131		
Earnings from continuing operations per share: Basic		\$ 0.38	\$ 1.37			
Diluted	\$ 0.44	\$0.37	\$ 1.34	\$ 1.15		
Loss from discontinued operations per share: Basic	\$	\$ (0.11)	\$ (0.22)	\$ (0.12)		
Diluted		\$ (0.11) ======	\$ (0.21)			
Earnings per share: Basic	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.15	\$ 1.05		
Diluted		\$ 0.26	\$ 1.13 =======	\$ 1.03		
Weighted-average common shares outstanding: Basic	88,291	87 , 232	87 , 820	86,975		
Diluted	90,015	88,636 	89,554 	88,423		

Note: The above prior period amounts have been restated to reflect the effects of expensing stock-based compensation pursuant to our adoption of FAS 123(R) using the modified retrospective application.

HENRY SCHEIN, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share and per share data)

		ptember 30, 2006		cember 31, 2005
		unaudited)		
ASSETS	,	,		
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents Available-for-sale securities Accounts receivable, net of reserves of \$41,893 and \$52,308 Inventories, net Deferred income taxes	Ş	605,058 572,569 28,629	Ş	210,683 124,010 582,617 505,542 35,505
Prepaid expenses and other		134,324		126,052
Total current assets Property and equipment, net Goodwill Other intangibles, net Investments and other		1,516,650 218,154 751,664 161,423 69,729		1,584,409 190,746 626,869 123,204 57,892
Total assets	\$	2,717,620	\$	2,583,120
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities: Accounts payable Bank credit lines Current maturities of long-term debt Accrued expenses:	Ş	365,704 2,550 40,617	Ş	371,392 2,093 33,013
Payroll and related Taxes Other		95,705 54,345 165,325		96,113 65,070 156,433
Total current liabilities Long-term debt Deferred income taxes Other liabilities		724,246 456,487 55,353 58,260		724,114 489,520 54,432 53,547
Minority interest Commitments and contingencies		16,497		12 , 353
<pre>Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized, none outstanding Common stock, \$.01 par value, 240,000,000 shares authorized,</pre>				
88,555,830 outstanding on September 30, 2006 and 87,092,238 outstanding on December 31, 2005 Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Accumulated other comprehensive income		886 610,717 754,010 41,164		871 559,266 667,958 21,059
Total stockholders' equity		1,406,777		1,249,154
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,717,620	\$ ===	2,583,120

Note: Certain prior period amounts have been restated to reflect the effects of our adoption of FAS 123(R) using the modified retrospective application and our reclassification of variable rate demand notes from 'cash and cash equivalents' to 'available-for-sale securities'. Also, included in the prior period amounts are approximately \$44 million of accounts receivable, net of reserves, and approximately \$16 million of inventories, net of reserves, related to discontinued operations which were sold on April 1, 2006.

HENRY SCHEIN, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		
		September 24, 2005	
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$ 39,285	\$ 23,301	
Loss on sale of discontinued operation, net of tax Depreciation and amortization	 16,733		
Impairment from write-down of long-lived assets Stock-based compensation expense Provision for losses on trade and other accounts	 4,559	11,020	
receivable Deferred income taxes	1,664 (8,599) (5,148)	
Stock issued to 401(k) plan Undistributed earnings of affiliates Minority interest in net income of subsidiaries	3,565 (246 1,181) (79)	
Other Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:	(2,137) 1,056	
Accounts receivable Inventories Other current assets	(6,395 (4,212 (770) 12,862	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	19,381	(3,187)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	64,009		
Cash flows from investing activities: Purchases of fixed assets	(17,273		
Payments for business acquisitions, net of cash acquired Cash received from business divestiture Purchases of available-for-sale securities	(80,945 (16,697		
Proceeds from maturities of available-for-sale securities Proceeds from maturities of available-for-sale securities	117,806		
Proceeds from settlement of a note receivable Net proceeds from (payments for) foreign exchange forward			
contract settlements Other	(2,090 (6,769) 2,460	
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,968) (20,358)	
Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds from (repayments of) bank borrowings	297	(1,472)	
Principal payments for long-term debt Payments for debt issuance costs	(24,202		
Proceeds from issuance of stock upon exercise of stock options Payments for repurchases of common stock Proceeds from excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation	7,300 (2,261 3,362) (6,108)	
Other	(384) (3,055)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(15,888		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	42,153 (4,417 138,334) 3,363	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 176,070		

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2006		September 24, 2005	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	Ş	100,762	\$	91,131
Loss on sale of discontinued operation, net of tax		19,363		
Depreciation and amortization		46,891		42,547
Impairment from write-down of long-lived assets				11,928
Stock-based compensation expense Provision for losses on trade and other accounts		13,933		13,364
receivable		2,343		5,635

Deferred income taxes	(2,662)	(3,663)
Stock issued to 401(k) plan	3,565	3,223
Undistributed earnings of affiliates	(581)	, ,
Minority interest in net income of subsidiaries	4,447	3,755
Other Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:	(2,549)	1,066
Accounts receivable	(9,418)	(41,645)
Inventories	(35,967)	34,125
Other current assets	7,376	34,118
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(82,877)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	64,626	106,048
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of fixed assets	(49,927)	(36,204)
Payments for business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(186, 132)	(58,548)
Cash received from business divestiture	36,527	
Purchases of available-for-sale securities	(164,037)	(24,745)
Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities	286,767	
Proceeds from maturities of available-for-sale securities	1,280	
Proceeds from settlement of note receivable		11,779
Net proceeds from (payments for) foreign exchange forward		
contract settlements		23,630
Other	(6,604)	573
Net cash used in investing activities	(99,021)	(83,515)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from (payments of) bank borrowings	297	(2,888)
Principal payments for long-term debt	(30,677)	
Payments for debt issuance costs		(650)
Proceeds from issuance of stock upon exercise of stock options	32,900	25,278
Payments for repurchases of common stock	(25,700)	(27,117)
Proceeds from excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation	13,150	7,534
Other	1,665	(3,614)
Net cash used in financing activities		(6 , 935)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(42,760)	15,598
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	8,147	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	210,683	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 176,070	

NOTE: The above prior period amounts have been restated to reflect the effects of our adoption of FAS 123(R) using the modified retrospective application. Additionally, for all periods presented, we reflected the effects of a reclassification of variable rate demand notes from 'cash and cash equivalents' to 'available-for-sale securities'.

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Henry Schein, Inc. 2006 Third Quarter Sales Growth Rate Summary (unaudited)

Q3 2006 over Q3 2005

	Consolidated	Dental	Medical	International	Technology
Internal	5.0%	9.8%	-0.6%	3.4%	14.7%
Acquisitions, net of divestiture	6.6%	5.8%	9.5%	4.8%	2.2%
Local Currency Sales Growth	11.6%	15.6%	8.9%	8.2%	16.9%
Foreign Currency Exchange	1.4%	0.8%		4.1%	0.4%
Total Sales Growth	13.0%	16.4%	8.9% ======	12.3%	17.3%

Q3 YTD 2006 over Q3 YTD 2005

	Consolidated	Dental	Medical	International	Technology
Internal	6.3%	9.3%	2.5%	5.8%	8.6%
Acquisitions, net of divestiture	4.9%	2.3%	7.4%	6.1%	0.7%
Local Currency Sales Growth	11.2%	11.6%	9.9%	11.9%	9.3%
Foreign Currency Exchange	-0.2%	1.0%		-2.1%	0.4%
Total Sales Growth	11.0%	12.6%	9.9%	9.8%	9.7%

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