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Form 8-K

April 30, 2010

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

April 28, 2010  
Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its charter)

Virginia  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-01361  
(Commission File Number)

22-1318955  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

7401 South Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60629  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

773-838-3400  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable  
(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 April 28, 2010, Tootsie Roll Industries, Inc. issued a press release (the "release") announcing its results of operations and financial condition for the first quarter ended April 3, 2010. A copy of the release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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The information in the release and in this Item 2.02 is "furnished" and not "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Such information may only be incorporated by reference in another filing under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Securities Act of 1933 only if and to the extent such subsequent filing specifically references such information.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) The following exhibit is furnished with this report:

Exhibit 99.1        Press Release of Tootsie Roll Industries, Inc., dated  
                         April 28, 2010.

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 under-  
signed thereunto duly authorized.

April 28, 2010

TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /S/G. HOWARD EMBER, JR.  
G. Howard Ember, Jr.  
Vice President/Finance and  
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Tootsie Roll Industries, Inc.  
7401 South Cicero Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60629  
Phone 773/838-3400  
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Press Release

STOCK TRADED: NYSE                                FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
TICKER SYMBOL: TR                                Wednesday, April 28, 2010

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS - April 28, 2010 - Melvin J. Gordon, Chairman, Tootsie Roll Industries, Inc. reported first quarter 2010 net sales and net earnings.

First quarter 2010 net sales were \$103,244,000 compared to \$94,054,000 in first quarter 2009, an increase of \$9,190,000 or 10%. First quarter 2010 net earnings were \$9,085,000 compared to \$8,320,000 in first quarter 2009, and net earnings per share were \$.16 and \$.14 in first quarter 2010 and 2009, respectively, an increase of \$.02 per share or 14%.

Mr. Gordon said, "First quarter 2010 net sales benefited from effective marketing programs as well as the timing of certain customer sales in the first quarter 2010 and fourth quarter 2009 reporting periods. The increase in first

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quarter 2010 net earnings reflects the benefits of higher sales and favorable foreign currency exchange and translation. However, first quarter 2010 net earnings were adversely affected by higher ingredient costs, primarily sugar, increases in distribution costs including higher fuel costs relating to freight and delivery, and a higher effective income tax rate. The Company's first quarter 2010 net earnings per share benefited from common stock purchases in the open market resulting in fewer shares outstanding."

TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF NET SALES & NET EARNINGS  
FOR THE PERIODS ENDED  
APRIL 3, 2010 & APRIL 4, 2009

	FIRST QUARTER ENDED	
	2010	2009
Net Product Sales	\$ 103,244,000	\$ 94,054,000
Net Earnings	\$ 9,085,000	\$ 8,320,000
Net Earnings Per Share *	\$ .16	\$ .14
Average Shares Outstanding *	57,312,000	58,204,000

\* Based on average shares outstanding adjusted for 3% stock dividends distributed April 8, 2010 and April 9, 2009.