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April 20, 2016

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): April 20, 2016

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 000-9165 38-1239739 Michigan (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2825 Airview Boulevard, Kalamazoo,

49002 Michigan (Zip Code) (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 269.385.2600

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

Stryker Corporation issued a press release on April 20, 2016 announcing its first quarter 2016 operating results. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated April 20, 2016

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.

STRYKER CORPORATION (Registrant)

April 20, 2016 /s/ GLENN S. BOEHNLEIN

Date Glenn S. Boehnlein

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer