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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): March 25, 2010

# **Accenture plc**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland001-3444898-0627530(State or other jurisdiction(Commission(I.R.S. Employerof incorporation)File Number)<br/>1 Grand Canal Square,Identification No.)Grand Canal Harbour,

(Address of principal executive offices)

**Dublin 2, Ireland** 

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (353) (1) 646-2000

### 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 March 25, 2010, Accenture issued a press release announcing financial results for its second quarter of fiscal year 2010, which fiscal quarter ended on February 28, 2010.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. All information in the press release is furnished but not filed.

#### Non-GAAP Financial Information

In the attached press release Accenture discloses the following non-GAAP financial measures:

Free cash flow (defined as operating cash flow net of property and equipment additions). Accenture s management believes that this information provides meaningful additional information regarding the company s liquidity.

Percentage changes in revenues before reimbursements ( net revenues ) on a local currency basis. Financial results in local currency are calculated by restating current period activity into U.S. dollars using the comparable prior year period s foreign currency exchange rates. This approach is used for all results where the functional currency is not the U.S. dollar. Accenture s management believes that information regarding changes in its net revenues that excludes the effect of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates facilitates meaningful comparison of its net revenues before reimbursements.

Information regarding operating margin for the second quarter of fiscal 2009 excluding the benefit resulting from a reduction in reorganization liabilities that quarter. Accenture s management believes that because this benefit is not reflective of operations, this information enhances understanding of the company s operating performance.

Reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP are included in the press release. While Accenture s management believes that this non-GAAP financial information is useful in evaluating Accenture s operations, this information should be considered as supplemental in nature and not as a substitute for the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release of Accenture, dated March 25, 2010

#### **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.

Date: March 25, 2010 ACCENTURE PLC

By: /s/ Julie Spellman Sweet Name: Julie Spellman Sweet

Title:

General Counsel, Secretary & Chief Compliance Officer