BECTON DICKINSON & CO Form 8-K March 13, 2015

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 the earliest event reported): March 13, 2015

BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey (State or other jurisdiction 001-4802 (Commission 22-0760120 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number) 1 Becton Drive **Identification No.)**

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Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417-1880

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(201) 847-6800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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 8.01 Other Events.

On March 13, 2015, Becton, Dickinson and Company (BD) and CareFusion Corporation (CareFusion) issued a joint press release announcing that the companies have received clearance from the European Commission under the EU Merger Regulation for the pending acquisition of CareFusion by BD. The proposed acquisition is currently expected to close on March 17, 2015.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

ExhibitNumberDescription99.1Joint Press Release, dated March 13, 2015*****

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This communication contains certain estimates and other forward-looking statements (as defined under Federal securities laws). Forward looking statements generally are accompanied by words such as will, expect, outlook or other similar words, phrases or expressions. These forward-looking statements include statements regarding the estimated or anticipated timing of consummation of the proposed acquisition of CareFusion by BD discussed in BD s and CareFusion s respective filings with the Securities Exchange Commission. These statements are based on the current expectations of BD and CareFusion management and it is possible that the closing could be a date subsequent to the date indicated. BD and CareFusion do not intend to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof, except as required by applicable laws or regulations.

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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.

BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY (Registrant)

By:/s/ Gary DeFazioName:Gary DeFazioTitle:Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: March 13, 2015

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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