

Covidien plc  
Form 8-K  
December 09, 2013

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 8, 2013

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COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Ireland<br>(State or other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | 001-33259<br>(Commission<br>File Number) | 98-0624794<br>(IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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20 On Hatch, Lower Hatch Street  
Dublin 2, Ireland  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +353 (1) 438-1700

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On December 8, 2013, the Company issued a press release announcing entry into a definitive agreement to acquire Given Imaging Ltd. A copy of the press release is furnished as exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and incorporated herein by reference.

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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.

COVIDIEN PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

By: /s/ John W. Kapples  
John W. Kapples  
Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: December 9, 2013

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EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Exhibit Name                         |
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| 99.1        | Press Release dated December 8, 2013 |