

STRYKER CORP
Form 8-K
December 12, 2014

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): December 8, 2014

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Michigan | 0-9165 | 38-1239739 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

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| 2825 Airview Boulevard, Kalamazoo, Michigan | 49002 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 269.385.2600

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:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On December 8, 2014, Stryker Corporation issued a press release announcing that it had entered into a settlement with the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) in connection with the DOJ's previously reported civil and criminal investigations into the sales and marketing of the OtisKnee prior to Stryker's acquisition of OtisMed in November 2009, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated December 8, 2014 of Stryker Corporation

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)

December 12, 2014

/s/ WILLIAM R. JELLISON
William R. Jellison
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer