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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):

January 24, 2013

AMETEK, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-12981

14-1682544

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1100 Cassatt Road, Berwyn, Pennsylvania

19312

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

610-647-2121

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))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On January 24, 2013, AMETEK, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months and year ended December 31, 2012. A copy of such press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibit

99.1 Copy of press release issued by AMETEK, Inc. on January 24, 2013 (furnished but not filed pursuant to Item 2.02).

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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.

AMETEK, Inc.

*January 24, 2013*

*By: /s/ William J. Burke*

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*Name: William J. Burke*

*Title: Senior Vice President - Comptroller & Treasurer*

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Copy of press release issued by AMETEK, Inc. on January 24, 2013.



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## AMETEK ANNOUNCES RECORD RESULTS

Berwyn, PA, January 24, 2013 – AMETEK, Inc. (NYSE: AME) today announced fourth quarter and full year results that established records for orders, sales, operating income, operating margins, net income and diluted earnings per share.

AMETEK's fourth quarter 2012 sales of \$841.8 million were up 10% over the same period of 2011. Operating income for the fourth quarter of 2012 was \$190.0 million, a 13% increase from \$167.4 million recorded in the same period of 2011. Operating margins improved 70 basis points to a record 22.6% in the fourth quarter of 2012. Net income in the fourth quarter of 2012 increased 18% to \$119.9 million from \$101.9 million in last year's fourth quarter. Diluted earnings per share increased 17% to \$0.49 per diluted share from the fourth quarter 2011 level of \$0.42 per diluted share.

"AMETEK had a solid fourth quarter to complete a very strong 2012. We established records for essentially all key financial metrics in the quarter despite continued sluggish market conditions. Operating margins expanded 70 basis points to a record 22.6%, resulting from our focus on Operational Excellence initiatives. Orders were very strong in the quarter, totaling \$956 million, up 28% from last year's fourth quarter with 4% core growth," notes Frank S. Hermance, AMETEK Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

"Cash flow was superb, with both the fourth quarter and the full-year results representing records. Operating cash flow was \$192 million for the quarter and \$611 million for the year, up 25% and 20%, respectively, compared with the same periods in 2011," continued Mr. Hermance.

For the full year, AMETEK achieved record levels of orders, sales, operating income, operating margins, net income and diluted earnings per share. Full year sales were \$3.33 billion, up 12% from 2011. Operating income in 2012 was \$745.9 million, compared with \$635.9 million last year, up 17%. Operating margins for 2012 of 22.4% were a 110 basis point improvement over 2011. Net income for the full year 2012 was up \$74.6 million to \$459.1 million, a 19% increase from the \$384.5 million earned in 2011. Diluted earnings per share were \$1.88 for 2012, up 19% from the \$1.58 earned in 2011.

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### Electronic Instruments Group (EIG)

In the fourth quarter, EIG sales increased 12% to \$494.5 million. Operating income in the fourth quarter of 2012 increased 16% to \$134.9 million, compared with \$116.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2011. Operating margins were a record 27.3%, up 100 basis points from 26.3% in last year's fourth quarter.

"EIG had a very solid fourth quarter. Sales grew 12% in the quarter on continued strength in our oil and gas, and aerospace businesses, combined with the contributions from the acquisitions of O'Brien and Micro-Poise. Operating margins benefitted from our Operational Excellence initiatives," notes Mr. Hermance.

### Electromechanical Group (EMG)

For the fourth quarter of 2012, EMG sales increased 8% to \$347.2 million. Operating income in the fourth quarter of 2012 of \$65.2 million was up 5%, compared with \$62.3 million in the same period of 2011. Operating margins for the quarter were 18.8%, compared with 19.4% in last year's fourth quarter.

"EMG had a good quarter. Sales increased 8% on core growth in our Precision Motion Control business and the contribution from the acquisition of Dunkermotoren. We experienced softness in several end markets as customers turned increasingly cautious due to macro-economic uncertainties," adds Mr. Hermance.

### 2013 Outlook

"We expect our businesses overall to show solid growth in 2013, with organic growth stronger in the second half of the year. Our higher margin, longer cycle, oil and gas, power, and aerospace businesses should show particular strength. AMETEK's strong portfolio of differentiated businesses, proven operational capabilities, continued investment in new product development and geographic expansion, and a continued focus on strategic acquisitions should enable us to perform well in 2013," notes Mr. Hermance.

“We anticipate 2013 revenue to be up in the high single digits on a percentage basis from 2012, reflecting low to mid single digit core growth and contributions from recent acquisitions including Dunkermotoren and Micro-Poise. Earnings for 2013 are expected to be in the range of \$2.07 to \$2.12 per diluted share, up 10% to 13% over 2012, reflecting the leveraged impact of core growth, operational excellence initiatives, and the benefit of contributions from recent acquisitions,” adds Mr. Hermance.

“First quarter 2013 sales are expected to be up approximately 10% from last year’s first quarter. We estimate our earnings to be approximately \$0.49 to \$0.51 per diluted share, an increase of 9% to 13% over last year’s first quarter of \$0.45 per diluted share,” concludes Mr. Hermance.

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### Conference Call

AMETEK will webcast its Fourth Quarter 2012 investor conference call on Thursday, January 24, 2013, beginning at 8:30 AM ET. The live audio webcast will be available at the Investors section of [www.ametek.com](http://www.ametek.com) and at [www.streetevents.com](http://www.streetevents.com). The call will also be archived at the Investors section of [www.ametek.com](http://www.ametek.com).

### Corporate Profile

AMETEK is a leading global manufacturer of electronic instruments and electro-mechanical devices with annual sales of \$3.3 billion. AMETEK’s Corporate Growth Plan is based on Four Key Strategies: Operational Excellence, Strategic Acquisitions & Alliances, Global & Market Expansion, and New Products. AMETEK’s objective is double-digit percentage growth in earnings per share over the business cycle and a superior return on total capital. The common stock of AMETEK is a component of the S&P MidCap 400 and the Russell 1000 Indices.

### Forward-looking Information

Statements in this news release relating to future events, such as AMETEK’s expected business and financial performance, are “forward-looking statements.” Forward-looking statements are subject to various factors and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ significantly from expectations. These factors and uncertainties include our ability to consummate and successfully integrate future acquisitions; risks associated with international sales and operations; our ability to successfully develop new products, open new facilities or transfer product lines; the price and availability of raw materials; compliance with government regulations, including environmental regulations; changes in the competitive environment or the effects of competition in our markets; the ability to maintain adequate liquidity and financing sources; and general economic conditions affecting the industries we serve. A detailed discussion of these and other factors that may affect our future results is contained in AMETEK’s filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including its most recent reports on Form 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K. AMETEK disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements.

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(Financial Information Follows)

**AMETEK, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statement of Income**  
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Year Ended December 31,	
	2012 (Unaudited)	2011 (Unaudited)	2012 (Unaudited)	2011
<b>Net sales</b>	<b>\$841,790</b>	\$762,751	<b>\$3,334,213</b>	\$2,989,914
Operating expenses:				
Cost of sales, excluding depreciation	544,642	489,753	2,154,132	1,955,779
Selling, general and administrative	93,829	92,125	380,532	349,321
Depreciation	13,365	13,493	53,677	48,873
Total operating expenses	<u>651,836</u>	<u>595,371</u>	<u>2,588,341</u>	<u>2,353,973</u>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>189,954</b>	167,380	<b>745,872</b>	635,941
Other expenses:				
Interest expense	(18,834)	(17,984)	(75,472)	(69,729)
Other, net	(319)	(2,417)	(7,925)	(9,570)
Income before income taxes	<u>170,801</u>	146,979	<u>662,475</u>	556,642
Provision for income taxes	<u>50,903</u>	45,072	<u>203,343</u>	172,178
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ <u>119,898</u></b>	<u>\$ 101,907</u>	<b>\$ <u>459,132</u></b>	<u>\$ 384,464</u>
<b>Diluted earnings per share</b>	<b>\$ <u>0.49</u></b>	<u>\$ 0.42</u>	<b>\$ <u>1.88</u></b>	<u>\$ 1.58</u>
Basic earnings per share	<u>\$ <u>0.49</u></u>	<u>\$ <u>0.42</u></u>	<u>\$ <u>1.90</u></u>	<u>\$ <u>1.60</u></u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Diluted shares	<u>245,286</u>	<u>242,274</u>	<u>243,986</u>	<u>243,161</u>

Basic shares	<u>242,559</u>	<u>239,944</u>	<u>241,512</u>	<u>240,383</u>
Dividends per share	<u>\$ 0.06</u>	<u>\$ 0.04</u>	<u>\$ 0.22</u>	<u>\$ 0.16</u>

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**AMETEK, Inc.**  
**Information by Business Segment**  
**(In thousands)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Year Ended</b>	
	<b>December 31,</b>		<b>December 31,</b>	
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
<b>Net sales:</b>				
Electronic Instruments	<b>\$494,547</b>	\$441,455	<b>\$1,872,557</b>	\$1,647,195
Electromechanical	<b>347,243</b>	321,296	<b>1,461,656</b>	1,342,719
Consolidated net sales	<b><u>\$841,790</u></b>	<u>\$762,751</u>	<b><u>\$3,334,213</u></b>	<u>\$2,989,914</u>
<b>Income:</b>				
Segment operating income:				
Electronic Instruments	<b>\$134,861</b>	\$116,318	<b>\$ 497,116</b>	\$ 420,197
Electromechanical	<b>65,244</b>	62,265	<b>292,205</b>	262,710
Total segment operating income	<b>200,105</b>	178,583	<b>789,321</b>	682,907
Corporate administrative and other expenses	<b>(10,151)</b>	(11,203)	<b>(43,449)</b>	(46,966)
Consolidated operating income	<b><u>\$189,954</u></b>	<u>\$167,380</u>	<b><u>\$ 745,872</u></b>	<u>\$ 635,941</u>

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**AMETEK, Inc.**  
**Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**(In thousands)**

	<u>December 31,</u>	<u>December 31,</u>
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$ 156,227</b>	\$ 170,392
Receivables, net	<b>507,850</b>	438,245
Inventories	<b>428,935</b>	380,471
Other current assets	<b>64,962</b>	70,011
Total current assets	<b><u>1,157,974</u></b>	<u>1,059,119</u>
Property, plant and equipment, net	<b>380,796</b>	325,329
Goodwill	<b>2,208,180</b>	1,806,237
Other intangibles, investments and other assets	<b>1,437,675</b>	1,128,805
Total assets	<b><u>\$5,184,625</u></b>	<u>\$4,319,490</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term debt	<b>\$ 320,654</b>	\$ 140,508
Accounts payable and accruals	<b>552,683</b>	488,367
Total current liabilities	<b>873,337</b>	628,875
Long-term debt	<b>1,133,121</b>	1,123,416
Deferred income taxes and other long-term liabilities	<b>641,517</b>	514,394
Stockholders' equity	<b>2,536,650</b>	2,052,805
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<b><u>\$5,184,625</u></b>	<u>\$4,319,490</u>

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