

GRACO INC  
Form 8-K  
October 06, 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): **September 30, 2014**

**Graco Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Minnesota**

**001-09249**

**41-0285640**

(State or other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)

**88 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northeast**

**Minneapolis, Minnesota**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**55413**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (612) 623-6000

**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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On September 30, 2014, Graco International Holdings SARL, a wholly owned subsidiary of Graco Inc., entered into a share purchase agreement, dated as of October 1, 2014, with the shareholders of Xamol Limited to acquire Alco Valves Group, a United Kingdom-headquartered manufacturer of valves used in Oil & Natural Gas and other industrial processes, for £72.2 million in cash, subject to customary post-closing adjustments. The completion of the acquisition occurred simultaneously with entry into the agreement. A copy of the press release announcing the acquisition is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated October 1, 2014.

**Signature**

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.

GRACO INC.

Date: October 6, 2014

By: /s/ Karen Park Gallivan

Karen Park Gallivan

Its: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary