ROCKY BRANDS, INC.

| Form 8-K August 18, 2016 | | |
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| UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISS | SION | |
| 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) August 17, 2016 | | |
| ROCKY BRANDS, INC. | | |
| (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) | | |
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| Ohio (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 001-34382 (Commission File Number) | 31-1364046 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 39 East Canal Street, Nelsonville, Ohio 45764 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) | | |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code (740) 753-1951 | | |
| Not Applicable | | |
| (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.) | | |

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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[&]quot;Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

[&]quot;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 August 17, 2016, Rocky Brands, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release entitled "Rocky Brands Outlines Shareholder Value Creation Efforts." A copy of the Company's press release is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained or incorporated by reference in this Form 8-K contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, which are intended to be covered by the safe harbors created thereby. Those statements include, but may not be limited to, all statements regarding intent, beliefs, expectations, projections, forecasts, and plans of the Company and its management. These forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, the various risks inherent in the Company's business as set forth in periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 (filed March 3, 2016) and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the periods ended March 31, 2016 (filed April 29, 2016) and June 30, 2016 (filed July 28, 2016). One or more of these factors have affected historical results, and could in the future affect the Company's businesses and financial results in future periods and could cause actual results to differ materially from plans and projections. Therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements contained or incorporated by reference in this Form 8-K will prove to be accurate. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference herein, the Company, or any other person should not regard the inclusion of such information as a representation that the objectives and plans of the Company will be achieved. All forward-looking statements contained or incorporated by reference in this Form 8-K are based on information presently available to the management of the Company. The Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

Press Release, dated August 17, 2016, entitled "Rocky Brands Outlines Shareholder Value Creation Efforts."

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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.

Rocky Brands, Inc.

Date: August 18, 2016 By:/s/ James E. McDonald

James E. McDonald, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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