# 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): August 7, 2013

# **CLEAN HARBORS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**001-34223** (Commission File Number) 04-2997780 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

42 Longwater Drive, Norwell, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices)

**02061-9149** (Zip Code)

(781) 792-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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

### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On August 7, 2013, Clean Harbors, Inc. ("the Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 2013. A copy of that press release is furnished with this report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated August 7, 2013

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Clean Harbors, Inc. (Registrant)

August 7, 2013

/s/ James M. Rutledge

Vice Chairman, President and Chief Financial Officer

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### **Clean Harbors Reports Second-Quarter 2013 Financial Results**

- Flood Conditions in Canada and Multiple Headwinds Result in Lower-Than-Expected Revenue of \$860.5 Million, EPS of \$0.38 and Adjusted EBITDA of \$123.6 Million
- Weakness in Oil & Gas and Oil Re-refining Expected to Continue Near-term
- Safety-Kleen Integration Remains on Track
- Company Reduces 2013 Revenue and Adjusted EBITDA Guidance

Norwell, Mass. — August 7, 2013 — Clean Harbors, Inc. ("Clean Harbors") (NYSE: CLH), the leading provider of environmental, energy and industrial services throughout North America, today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2013.

Results for 2013 reflect the December 2012 acquisition of Safety-Kleen. Revenues for the second quarter of 2013 increased 64% to \$860.5 million, compared with \$523.1 million in the same period in 2012. Income from operations in the second quarter of 2013 increased 12% to \$53.2 million from \$47.5 million in the same period of 2012, which includes a 75% increase in depreciation and amortization expense.

Second-quarter 2013 net income was \$22.9 million, or \$0.38 per diluted share, compared with \$23.4 million, or \$0.44 per diluted share, in the second quarter of 2012. The Company's second-quarter 2013 net income includes approximately \$6.8 million in pre-tax integration and severance costs. The effective tax rate in the second quarter of 2013 was 35.1%, compared with 35.8% in the same period of last year.

Adjusted EBITDA (see description below) in the second quarter of 2013 increased 39% to \$123.6 million, compared with \$88.7 million in the same period of 2012. Second-quarter 2013 Adjusted EBITDA includes the \$6.8 million in pre-tax integration and severance costs.

#### **Comments on the Second Quarter**

"We delivered disappointing results for the second quarter as we experienced challenging conditions and weakness within our Oil Re-refining and Recycling segment and Oil and Gas Field Services segment," said Alan S. McKim, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Our second-quarter performance reflects a combination of factors that limited our revenue and Adjusted EBITDA including historic flooding in Western Canada, a lower percentage of blended lubricant sales within our re-refinery business, an unplanned three-week shutdown at our largest incinerator and delays in some customer plant turnarounds."

"The flooding in Canada affected both our Industrial and Field Services segment and Oil and Gas Field Services segment with activity limited at certain customer sites and a slowdown in near-term Western Canadian drilling activity. Within our Oil Re-refining and Recycling segment, we sold a lower percentage of blended products, which reduced the segment's Adjusted EBITDA contribution," McKim said. "The highlight of the quarter was our Technical Services segment, which continued to demonstrate the benefits of



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our Safety-Kleen acquisition. Our incineration facilities achieved utilization for the quarter of 92.3% — despite the lengthy shutdown at our Deer Park facility — and landfill volumes increased 17% as a result of large-scale project work."

"The Safety-Kleen integration proceeded largely on schedule in the second quarter," McKim said. "We remain confident that we can achieve our targeted range for cost synergies in 2013 of \$70 million to \$75 million, which would keep us on track to realize \$100 million of annualized cost synergies in 2014."

#### **Business Outlook and Financial Guidance**

"We continue to anticipate a stronger second half of 2013," McKim said. "We are confident that our disposal facilities will continue to run at high levels of utilization as we enter the strongest operating season for Technical Services. We expect SK Environmental Services to extend its recent growth into the second half of the year. Within Oil Re-refining and Recycling, we are working to revive our growth in blended volumes while continuing to reduce our input costs going forward. Trends within our Industrial and Field Services segment are also positive with a strong pipeline of available projects, conditions normalizing in Canada, and our Ruth Lake lodge coming online later this month. In Western Canada, drilling activity is now increasing, and our Oil and Gas Field Services segment is achieving success in expanding its presence in U.S. shale plays."

"Despite these positive trends, our expected second-half results will not be enough to enable us to achieve our full-year revenue and Adjusted EBITDA targets. As a result, we are lowering our 2013 guidance to reflect our second-quarter results and the delays that we experienced in several areas due to weather and certain market conditions. On the margin side, we have taken a significant amount of costs out of our combined organization and are continuing our efforts to better leverage Safety-Kleen. Overall, we believe our Company will deliver a solid finish to the year and will be well-positioned for success entering 2014," McKim concluded.

Based on its second-quarter performance and current market conditions, Clean Harbors is lowering its previously announced 2013 annual revenue and Adjusted EBITDA guidance. The Company currently expects 2013 revenues in the range of \$3.50 billion to \$3.55 billion, compared with its previous revenue guidance of \$3.62 billion to \$3.67 billion. In addition, the Company currently expects Adjusted EBITDA in the range of \$535 million to \$545 million, compared with its previous guidance of \$605 million to \$620 million. A reconciliation of the Company's Adjusted EBITDA guidance to net income guidance is included below.



## **Non-GAAP Results**

Clean Harbors reports Adjusted EBITDA results, which is a non-GAAP financial measure, as a complement to results provided in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The Company believes that Adjusted EBITDA provides additional useful information to investors since the Company's loan covenants are based upon levels of Adjusted EBITDA achieved. The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA in accordance with its existing credit agreement, as described in the following reconciliation showing the differences between reported net income and Adjusted EBITDA for the second quarter and first six months of 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

		For the Three	Months 1	Ended:		For the Six Mo	onths Ended:			
	Ju	ne 30, 2013	Ju	ne 30, 2012	Jı	ine 30, 2013	Ju	ne 30, 2012		
Net income	\$	22,902	\$	23,426	\$	33,404	\$	55,441		
Accretion of environmental liabilities		2,879		2,505		5,714		4,921		
Depreciation and amortization		67,468		38,663		127,474		75,494		
Other (income) expense		(1,655)		75		(2,180)		374		
Interest expense, net		19,585		10,968		39,458		22,240		
Pre-tax, non-cash acquisition accounting adjustments						13,559				
Provision for income taxes		12,411		13,064		17,389		31,179		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	123,590	\$	88,701	\$	234,818	\$	189,649		

## **Adjusted EBITDA Guidance Reconciliation**

An itemized reconciliation between projected net income and projected Adjusted EBITDA is as follows:

		For the	Year	Ending	December 31, 2	2013	
	A	Amount	Mar	)			
	(In	millions)					
Projected GAAP net income	\$ 105	to	\$	121	3.0%	to	3.4%
Adjustments:							
Pre-tax, non-cash acquisition accounting adjustments	14	to		14	0.4%	to	0.4%
Accretion of environmental liabilities	13	to		11	0.4%	to	0.3%
Depreciation and amortization	265	to		255	7.5%	to	7.2%
Interest expense, net	79	to		78	2.3%	to	2.2%
Provision for income taxes	59	to		66	1.7%	to	1.9%
Projected Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 535	to	\$	545	15.3%	to	15.4%
Revenues (In millions)	\$ 3,500	to	\$ 3	3,550			



(1) The Margin % indicates the percentage that the line-item represents to total revenues for the respective reporting period, calculated by dividing the dollar amount for the line-item by total revenues for the reporting period.

#### **Conference Call Information**

Clean Harbors will conduct a conference call for investors today at 9:00 a.m. (ET) to discuss the information contained in this press release. On the call, management will discuss Clean Harbors' financial results, business outlook and growth strategy.

Investors who wish to listen to the webcast should visit the Investor Relations section of the Company's website at www.cleanharbors.com. The live call also can be accessed by dialing 201.689.8881 or 877.709.8155 prior to the start of the call. If you are unable to listen to the live call, the webcast will be archived on the Company's website.

#### **About Clean Harbors**

Clean Harbors (NYSE: CLH) is the leading provider of environmental, energy and industrial services throughout North America. The Company serves a diverse customer base, including a majority of the Fortune 500 companies, thousands of smaller private entities and numerous federal, state, provincial and local governmental agencies. Through its Safety-Kleen subsidiary, Clean Harbors also is a premier provider of used oil recycling and re-refining, parts washers and environmental services for the small quantity generator market.

Headquartered in Massachusetts, Clean Harbors has waste disposal facilities and service locations throughout the United States and Canada, as well as Mexico and Puerto Rico. For more information, visit www.cleanharbors.com.

#### Safe Harbor Statement

Any statements contained herein that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are generally identifiable by use of the words "believes," "expects," "intends," "anticipates," "plans to," "estimates," "projects," or similar expressions. Such statements may include, but are not limited to, statements about future financial and operating results, the expected Safety-Kleen synergies and other statements that are not historical facts. Such statements are based upon the beliefs and expectations of Clean Harbors' management as of this date only and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially, including, without limitation, those items identified as "risk factors" in Clean Harbors' most recently filed Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. Therefore, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Clean Harbors undertakes no obligation to revise or publicly release the results of any revision to these forward-looking statements other than through its filings with the



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Securities and Exchange Commission, which may be viewed in the "Investors" section of Clean Harbors' website at www.cleanharbors.com.

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## CLEAN HARBORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands except per share amounts)

	For the Three Months Ended:					For the Six M	x Months Ended:			
		June 30, 2013		June 30, 2012		June 30, 2013		June 30, 2012		
Revenues	\$	860,528	\$	523,118	\$	1,722,691	\$	1,095,140		
Cost of revenues (exclusive of items shown separately below)		614,326		367,623		1,250,350		767,938		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		122,612		66,794		251,082		137,553		
Accretion of environmental liabilities		2,879		2,505		5,714		4,921		
Depreciation and amortization		67,468		38,663		127,474		75,494		
Income from operations		53,243	_	47,533		88,071	_	109,234		
Other income (expense)		1,655		(75)		2,180		(374)		
Interest (expense), net		(19,585)		(10,968)		(39,458)		(22,240)		
Income before provision for income taxes		35,313	_	36,490		50,793		86,620		
Provision for income taxes		12,411		13,064		17,389		31,179		
Net income	\$	22,902	\$	23,426	\$	33,404	\$	55,441		
Earnings per share:				I			_			
Basic	\$	0.38	\$	0.44	\$	0.55	\$	1.04		
Diluted	\$	0.38	\$	0.44	\$	0.55	\$	1.04		
Weighted average common shares outstanding		60,550		53,308		60,507		53,268		
Weighted average common shares outstanding plus potentially dilutive common shares		60,687		53,505		60,658		53,497		
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## CLEAN HARBORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS ASSETS (in thousands)

	June 30, 2013	Ι	December 31, 2012	
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 263,478	\$	229,836	
Marketable securities	10,339		11,778	
Accounts receivable, net	549,909		541,423	
Unbilled accounts receivable	34,277		27,072	
Deferred costs	17,255		6,888	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	53,471		75,778	
Inventories and supplies	155,538		171,441	
Deferred tax assets	20,924		22,577	
Total current assets	1,105,191		1,086,793	
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,554,972		1,531,763	
Other assets:				
Long-term investments	4,352		4,354	
Deferred financing costs	22,410		21,657	
Goodwill	575,275		593,771	
Permits and other intangibles, net	555,422		572,817	
Other	14,491		14,651	
Total other assets	1,171,950		1,207,250	
Total assets	\$ 3,832,113	\$	3,825,806	



## CLEAN HARBORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (in thousands)

	June 30, 2013		Ι	December 31, 2012
Current liabilities:				
Current portion of capital lease obligations	\$	2,923	\$	5,092
Accounts payable		273,058		256,468
Deferred revenue		63,374		50,942
Accrued expenses		242,362		232,429
Current portion of closure, post-closure and remedial liabilities		22,470		24,121
Total current liabilities		604,187		569,052
Other liabilities:				
Closure and post-closure liabilities, less current portion		40,896		45,457
Remedial liabilities, less current portion		154,983		151,890
Long-term obligations		1,400,000		1,400,000
Capital lease obligations, less current portion		2,140		2,879
Deferred taxes, unrecognized tax benefits and other long-term liabilities		215,187		224,456
Total other liabilities		1,813,206		1,824,682
Total stockholders' equity, net		1,414,720		1,432,072
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	3,832,113	\$	3,825,806



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# Supplemental Segment Data (in thousands)

For the Three Months Ended:													
			Ju	ne 30, 2013			June 30, 2012						
	T	Third Party Intersegment			Direct		Third Party		segment		Direct		
Revenue		Revenues	Re	venues, net		Revenues		Revenues	Reve	enues, net		Revenues	
Technical Services	\$	256,262	\$	27,128	\$	283,390	\$	243,321	\$	8,865	\$	252,186	
Oil Re-refining and Recycling		139,695		(64,574)		75,121						_	
SK Environmental Services		149,835		48,520		198,355							
Industrial and Field Services		244,495		(11,665)		232,830		202,618		(11,212)		191,406	
Oil and Gas Field Services		69,860		1,854		71,714		76,849		2,869		79,718	
Corporate Items		381		(1,263)		(882)		330		(522)		(192)	
Total	\$	860,528	\$		\$	860,528	\$	523,118	\$		\$	523,118	

	For the Six Months Ended:													
			Ju	ne 30, 2013			June 30, 2012							
	1	Third Party	I	ntersegment		Direct Third Party		Third Party	Intersegment			Direct		
Revenue		Revenues	Re	evenues, net		Revenues		Revenues	R	levenues, net		Revenues		
Technical Services	\$	490,201	\$	52,399	\$	542,600	\$	464,958	\$	18,424	\$	483,382		
Oil Re-refining and Recycling		286,626		(121,135)		165,491						_		
SK Environmental Services		302,790		90,009		392,799						—		
Industrial and Field Services		465,913		(24,883)		441,030		405,397		(22,421)		382,976		
Oil and Gas Field Services		186,556		5,796		192,352		223,754		4,792		228,546		
Corporate Items (1)		(9,395)		(2,186)		(11,581)		1,031		(795)		236		
Total	\$	1,722,691	\$		\$ 1	1,722,691	\$	1,095,140	\$		\$	1,095,140		

(1) Corporate Items revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2013 includes one-time, non-cash reductions of approximately \$10.2 million due to the impact of fair value acquisition accounting adjustments on Safety-Kleen's historical deferred revenue at December 31, 2012. Revenue for the five reportable segments for the six months ended June 30, 2013 excludes such adjustments to maintain comparability with future operating results and reflect how the Company manages the business.



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# **Non-GAAP Segment Results**

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		For the Three	Months H	For the Six Months Ended:						
Adjusted EBITDA	Jun	June 30, 2013		June 30, 2012		ne 30, 2013	Ju	ne 30, 2012		
Technical Services	\$	69,390	\$	68,521	\$	129,435	\$	120,432		
Oil Re-refining and Recycling		12,657				27,969		_		
SK Environmental Services		34,171				61,211		_		
Industrial and Field Services		54,196		40,558		90,542		74,636		
Oil and Gas Field Services		3,967		7,971		31,518		48,167		
Corporate Items		(50,791)		(28,349)		(105,857)		(53,586)		
Total	\$	123,590	\$	88,701	\$	234,818	\$	189,649		

