# 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 11, 2014

# **DLH Holdings Corp.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 0-18492

<u>New Jersey</u> <u>22-1899798</u>

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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

1776 Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, GA 30309

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

(866) 952-1647

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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:

$\square$ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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☐ 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 December 11, 2014, DLH Holdings Corp. announced by press release its financial results for its fiscal year ended September 30, 2014. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Exhibit Title or Description

99.1 Press Release dated December 11, 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, hereunto duly authorized.

## DLH Holdings Corp.

By: <u>/s/ Zachary C. Parker</u>
Name: Zachary C. Parker
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 11, 2014

## EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Press Release dated December 11, 2014

#### DLH ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER AND FISCAL YEAR 2014 RESULTS

Company reports increases in Revenue, Profitability and Cash Position over prior year

- Revenues increased 10.9% for the quarter and 13.1% for fiscal 2014 compared to prior year
- Gross margin increased 19.1% for the quarter and 19.5% for fiscal 2014 compared to prior year
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$1.3 million achieved, improved by 133.4% over prior year
- Net income of \$5.4 million earned, including \$4.6 million related to realization of tax benefit
- Working capital surplus of \$0.7 million generated, improved by \$2.7 million for year
- Net cash position of \$3.9 million achieved, improved by \$1.8 million for year
- Management to conduct conference call/webcast today, December 11, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. EST

Atlanta, Georgia – December 11, 2014 – DLH Holdings Corp. (NASDAQ: DLHC), a leading provider of innovative healthcare services and solutions to Federal agencies announced today financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended September 30, 2014.

**Table 1 - Financial Highlights** 

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Year Ended					
					September 30,					
(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	2014		2013			2014	2013			
Revenues	\$	15,579	\$	14,045	\$	60,493	\$	53,506		
Gross margin	\$	2,340	\$	1,964	\$	8,959	\$	7,499		
Gross margin %	15.0%			14.0%		14.8%		14.0%		
Income from operations	\$	205	\$	173	\$	764	\$	248		
Income before taxes	\$	178	\$	9	\$	760	\$	(159)		
Net income (loss)	\$	4,775	\$	9	\$	5,357	\$	(159)		
Income (loss) before taxes per share - basic	\$	0.02	\$	0.00	\$	0.08	\$	(0.02)		
Income (loss) before taxes per share - diluted	\$	0.02	\$	0.00	\$	0.08	\$	(0.02)		
Net income (loss) per share - basic	\$	0.50	\$	0.00	\$	0.56	\$	(0.02)		
Net income (loss) per share - diluted	\$	0.48	\$	0.00	\$	0.54	\$	(0.02)		
Other Data										
Adjusted EBITDA (1)	\$	331	\$	238	\$	1,342	\$	575		

#### **Management Discussion**

"Our operating performance for both the fourth quarter and the fiscal year as a whole improved across the board compared to 2013, with increases in revenue, gross margin, operating income and adjusted EBITDA," commented DLH President and Chief Executive Officer Zach Parker. "We continue to leverage our strong position in the healthcare and pharmaceutical services business with organic growth, while our new business is delivering higher margins consistent with our long-range strategy. We will continue to apply excellent program performance and our much improved balance sheet to deliver growth and greater value for our shareholders," added Mr. Parker.

#### **Reversal of Tax Valuation Allowance**

Due to our recent trend of positive operating results, we realized a \$4.6 million tax benefit related to the release of a portion of our valuation allowance, to reflect the amount of our deferred tax asset that we expect to realize in future years. This release is based upon our current estimate of future taxable earnings. Our estimate of future taxable income will be revised at least annually or more frequently upon the occurrence of an event which warrants a new estimate. We expect to be able to utilize net operating losses to offset future cash taxes into the foreseeable future.

#### Results for Three Months Ended September 30, 2014

Revenues for the fourth quarter were \$15.6 million, an increase of \$1.5 million or 10.9% over prior year fourth quarter. The increase in revenue was due primarily to new business awarded in 2013 and 2014, as well as expansion on current programs.

Gross margin of \$2.3 million increased by \$0.4 million or 19.1% over prior year fourth quarter. As a percentage of revenue, our gross margin rate of 15.0% was 1.0% higher than prior year fourth quarter. The gross margin benefited from improved contract performance, and was partially offset by increased workers compensation costs. We continue to implement internal measures to control costs and improve margin.

G&A expenses were \$2.1 million, an increase of \$0.3 million over prior year fourth quarter, due principally to expenses related to growing our contract base. As a percent of revenue, G&A expenses were 13.5%, an increase of 0.9% over prior year fourth quarter. Excluding non-cash stock option expense of \$100 thousand and \$39 thousand for 2014 and 2013, respectively, G&A expenses for fourth quarter 2014 were 12.9% of revenue, an increase of 0.6% over prior year fourth quarter.

Income from operations was approximately \$205 thousand, an increase of \$32 thousand or 18.5% over prior year fourth quarter.

Income before taxes was approximately \$178 thousand, an improvement of approximately \$169 thousand over prior year fourth quarter, due principally to improved income from operations and lower financing and borrowing expenses. Income before taxes per share basic and diluted was \$0.02 per share for fourth quarter ended September 30, 2014, an improvement of \$0.02 per share over prior year period.

Net income was approximately \$4.8 million, an improvement of approximately \$4.8 million over the prior year fourth quarter. This improvement was due to a \$4.6 million tax benefit adjustment recorded in fourth quarter 2014, and \$0.2 million improvement in income before taxes. Net income per share basic was \$0.50 per share for fourth quarter, an improvement of \$0.50 over prior year period. Net income per share diluted was \$0.48 per share for fourth quarter, an improvement of \$0.48 per share over prior year period.

Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA") adjusted for other non-cash charges ("Adjusted EBITDA"(1)) for fourth quarter ended September 30, 2014 was approximately \$0.3 million, an increase of approximately 0.1 million, or 39.1%, over the prior year fourth quarter. This increase is due principally to increased revenue and gross margin.

#### Results for Year Ended September 30, 2014

Revenues for the year ended September 30, 2014 were \$60.5 million, an increase of \$7.0 million or 13.1% over prior year. The increase in revenue was due primarily to new business awarded in 2013 and 2014, as well as expansion on current programs.

Gross margin was approximately \$9.0 million, an increase of approximately \$1.5 million or 19.5% over prior fiscal year. As a percentage of revenue, our gross margin rate was 14.8% for the year ended September 30, 2014, an increase of 0.8% over the prior year period. The gross margin rate benefited from improved contract performance, offset in part by increased workers compensation costs. We continue to implement internal measures to control costs and improve our margin.

G&A expenses were approximately \$8.1 million, an increase of approximately of \$1.0 million or 13.5% over prior year period. The increase was primarily attributable to managing our increased business volume, increased spending on new business acquisition initiatives, and non-cash stock option expense for awards during fiscal year 2014. As a percentage of revenue, G&A expenses were 13.4%, near flat at 0.1% increase over prior year.

Excluding non-cash stock option expense of \$472 thousand and \$206 thousand for 2014 and 2013, respectively, G&A expenses for fiscal year 2014 were 12.6% of revenue, a decrease of 0.3% over prior year.

Income from operations for the year ended September 30, 2014 was approximately \$0.8 million, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million over the prior year period. The increase in income in fiscal 2014 was due to improved gross margin of approximately \$1.5 million offset by \$1.0 million increased expenses as described above.

Income before taxes for fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 was approximately \$0.8 million, an improvement of approximately \$0.9 million over prior fiscal year, due principally to improved income from operations and lower financing and borrowing expenses. Income (loss) before taxes per share basic and diluted was \$0.08 per share for year ended September 30, 2014, an improvement of \$0.10 per share over prior year period.

Net income for fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 was approximately \$5.4 million, an improvement of approximately \$5.5 million over the prior year. This improvement was due to a \$4.6 million tax benefit adjustment recorded in fourth quarter 2014, and \$0.9 million improvement in income before taxes. Net income per share basic was \$0.56 per share for fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, an improvement of \$0.58 per share over prior year. Net income per share diluted was \$0.54 per share, an improvement of \$0.56 per share over prior year.

Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA") adjusted for other non-cash charges ("Adjusted EBITDA"(1)) for year ended September 30, 2014 was approximately \$1.3 million, an increase of approximately \$0.8 million, or 133.4%, over the prior fiscal year, due principally to increased revenue and gross profit as described above.

Kathryn JohnBull, DLH Chief Financial Officer, remarked on the quarter's financial results: "Our fourth quarter and fiscal year results reflect our trend of improving our working capital position, erasing our beginning deficit of \$2.0 million and ending the year with a surplus of nearly \$0.7 million. As the key contributor to this improvement is profitable operations, we expect our working capital position to continue to improve. Net cash of \$3.9 million at September 30, 2014 compares favorably to net cash of \$2.1 million at September 30, 2013, with the improvement derived principally from operating cash flow of \$1.7 million in the fiscal year."

#### Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure) to net income (loss)

(1) We use Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA") adjusted for other non-cash charges ("Adjusted EBITDA"), as a supplemental non-GAAP measure of our performance. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) plus (i) interest and other expenses, net, (ii) provision for or benefit from income taxes, if any, (iii) depreciation and amortization, and (iv) G&A expenses — equity grants. This non-GAAP measure of our performance is used by management to conduct and evaluate its business during its regular review of operating results for the periods presented. Management and the Company's Board utilize this non-GAAP measure to make decisions about the use of the Company's resources, analyze performance between periods, develop internal projections and measure management performance. We believe that this non-GAAP measure is useful to investors in evaluating the Company's ongoing operating and financial results and understanding how such results compare with the Company's historical performance. By providing this non-GAAP measure, as a supplement to GAAP information, we believe we are enhancing investors' understanding of our business and our results of operations. This non-GAAP financial measure is limited in its usefulness and should be considered in addition to, and not in lieu of, US GAAP financial measures. Further, this non-GAAP measure may be unique to the Company, as it may be different from the definition of non-GAAP measures used by other companies. A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA with net income (loss) is as follows, shown in dollars in thousands:

	Three Mon	ths Ended	Year Ended					
	Septem	ıber 30,	September 30,					
(\$ in thousands)	2014	2013	2014	2013				
Net income (loss)	\$ 4,775	\$ 9	\$ 5,357	\$ (159)				
(i) Interest and other expenses, net	27	164	4	407				
(ii) (Benefit) provision for income tax	(4,597)	_	(4,597)	_				
(iii) Depreciation and amortization	26	26	106	121				
(iv) G&A expenses — equity grants	100	39	472	206				
EBITDA adjusted for other non-cash charges	\$ 331	\$ 238	\$ 1,342	\$ 575				

#### **Conference Call and Webcast Details**

Interested parties may participate in the conference call by dialing into the conference call line at 1-866-202-0886; international callers dial 1-617-213-8841 (passcode 21517240) approximately five to ten minutes prior to the call. The conference call will also be available on replay starting at 3:00 PM ET on December 11, 2014 and ending on December 18, 2014 at 11:59 PM ET. For the replay, please dial 1-888-286-8010 (passcode 28103218) or 1-617-801-6888 for international callers.

#### **About DLH**

DLH Holdings Corp. (Nasdaq: DLHC) serves clients throughout the United States as a technical services provider to the Federal government in health, logistics, and contingency response. Headquartered in Atlanta, GA the company was named as a Top 100 Public Company by Georgia Trend, and is a member of the National Defense Industrial Association. DLH has over 1,200 employees working in 25 states throughout the country. For more information, visit the corporate web site at www.dlhcorp.com.

#### "Safe Harbor" Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995:

This press release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements relate to future events or DLH's future financial performance. Any statements that are not statements of historical fact (including without limitation statements to the effect that the Company or its management "believes", "expects", "anticipates", "plans", "intends" and similar expressions) should be considered forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties which could cause actual events or DLH's actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. For a discussion of such risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, see "Risk Factors" in the Company's periodic reports filed with the SEC, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014. The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are made as of the date hereof and may become outdated over time. The Company does not assume any responsibility for updating forward-looking statements.

# TABLES TO FOLLOW DLH HOLDINGS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended September 30,				Year Ended September 30,				
		2014		2013		2014		2013		
Revenue	\$	15,579	\$	14,045	\$	60,493	\$	53,506		
Direct expenses		13,239		12,081		51,534		46,007		
Gross margin		2,340		1,964		8,959		7,499		
General and administrative expenses		2,109		1,765		8,089		7,130		
Depreciation and amortization		26		26		106		121		
Income from operations		205		173		764		248		
Other expense, net		(27)		(164)		(4)		(407)		
Income (loss) before income taxes		178		9		760		(159)		
(Benefit) provision for income taxes		(4,597)		_		(4,597)		_		
Net income (loss)	\$	4,775	\$	9	\$	5,357	\$	(159)		
Income (loss) before taxes per share - basic	\$	0.02	\$	0.00	\$	0.08	\$	(0.02)		
Income (loss) before taxes per share - diluted	\$	0.02	\$	0.00	\$	0.08	\$	(0.02)		
Net income (loss) per share, basic	\$	0.50	\$	0.00	\$	0.56	\$	(0.02)		
Net income (loss) per share, diluted	\$	0.48	\$	0.00	\$	0.54	\$	(0.02)		
Weighted average common shares outstanding										
Basic		9,582		9,318		9,570		9,310		
Diluted		9,881		9,336		9,839		9,310		

# DLH HOLDINGS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Amounts in thousands except par value of shares)

	September 30, 2014		September 30, 2013		
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,908	\$	3,408	
Accounts receivable, net		12,372		11,943	
Deferred taxes, net		84		_	
Other current assets		510		599	
Total current assets		16,874		15,950	
Equipment and improvements, net		63		156	
Deferred taxes, net		4,513		_	
Goodwill		8,595		8,595	
Other long-term assets		27		1,057	
Total assets	\$	30,072	\$	25,758	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Debt obligations	\$	_	\$	1,313	
Derivative financial instruments, at fair value		_		160	
Accrued payroll		11,465		11,138	
Accounts payable, accrued expenses, and other current liabilities		4,746		5,343	
Total current liabilities		16,211		17,954	
Other long term liabilities		15		20	
Total liabilities		16,226		17,974	
Commitments and Contingencies			_		
Shareholders' equity:					
Preferred stock, \$.10 par value; authorized 5,000 shares, none issued and outstanding		_		_	
Common stock, \$.001 par value; authorized 40,000 shares; issued 9,568 at September 30, 2014 and 9,320 at September 30, 2013, outstanding 9,566 at September 30, 2014 and 9,318 at September 30, 2013		10		9	
Additional paid-in capital		76,083		75,400	
Accumulated deficit		(62,244)		(67,601)	
Treasury stock, 2 shares at cost at September 30, 2014 and 2 shares at cost at September 30, 2013		(3)		(24)	
Total shareholders' equity		13,846		7,784	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	30,072	\$	25,758	

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