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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: May 2, 2017 (Date of earliest event reported)

The Eastern Company (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut 0-599 06-0330020
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) identification No.)

112 Bridge Street, Naugatuck, Connecticut (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(203) 729-2255 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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Section 2 – Financial Information

ITEM 2.02 - Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Press Release dated May 2, 2017 announcing the first quarter earnings for 2017 is attached hereto.

Section 7 – Regulation FD

ITEM 7.01 - Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 2, 2017, The Eastern Company released the first quarter earnings of 2017. A copy of the Press Release dated May 2, 2017 announcing the first quarter earnings for 2017 is attached hereto.

Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

ITEM 9.01 - (d) Exhibits

(99) Press Release dated May 2, 2017 announcing the first quarter earnings for 2017.

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.

The Eastern Company

Date: May 2, 2017

/s/John L. Sullivan III

John L. Sullivan III

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer