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 July 31, 2007 (Date of earliest event reported)

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC (Exact name of Company as specified in charter)

Delaware 0-16211 39-1434669 (State of Incorporation) (Commission (IRS Employer File Number) Identification No.)

221 West Philadelphia Street, York, Pennsylvania 17405 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(717) 845-7511 (Company'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:

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Item 2.02. - Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition."

On July 31, 2007, the Company issued a press release disclosing its second quarter 2007 sales and earnings. This earnings release references net sales excluding precious metal content and net income excluding certain unusual items, both of which could be considered measures not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (non-GAAP measures). Due to the fluctuations of precious metal prices and because the precious metal content of the Company's sales is largely a pass-through to customers and has minimal effect on earnings, the Company reports sales both with and without precious metal content to show the Company's performance independent of precious metal price volatility and to enhance comparability of performance between periods. Earnings from continuing operations excluding certain unusual items is presented to enhance the comparability between periods. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit (99.1) and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements Not applicable.
- (b) Exhibits:
 - 99.1 The Dentsply International Inc. Second Quarter 2007 earnings release issued July 31, 2007 as referenced in Item 2.02.

SIGNATURES

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

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC (Company)

/s/ William R. Jellison
William R. Jellison
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 31, 2007

NEWS

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DENTSPLY International Inc. Reports Record Second Quarter 2007 Sales and Earnings

York, PA – July 31, 2007 -- DENTSPLY International Inc. (NASDAQ–XRAY) today announced record sales and earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2007.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

Three Months Ended June 30, 2007

Net sales in the second quarter of 2007 increased 7.4% to \$507.4 million compared to \$472.4 million reported for the second quarter of 2006. Net sales, without precious metal content, increased 9.1% to \$462.1 million in the second quarter of 2007, compared to \$423.5 million in 2006. Net sales without precious metal content, in the second quarter of 2007, benefited from strong international sales, and the strength of international currencies, especially the Euro and the Swiss Franc. Sales of specialty products, including implants, endodontic and orthodontic products, continued to enjoy robust sales growth in the quarter, while global sales of lab products improved, with continued strong demand for the Company's all-ceramic Cercon products.

Net income for the second quarter of 2007 was \$65.4 million, or \$0.42 per diluted share, an increase of 13.5% compared to \$0.37 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2006. Net income in the second quarter of 2007 included the net of tax impact of restructuring and other costs of \$2.0 million (\$0.01 per diluted share), also included in the quarter was a net charge for income tax-related adjustments of \$0.6 million (\$0.01 per diluted share). The second quarter of 2006 included the net of tax impact of restructuring costs of \$1.6 million (\$0.01 per diluted share), and also included a net charge to income tax expense of \$0.8 million (\$0.01 per diluted share).

Earnings, excluding restructuring and other costs, and income tax-related adjustments, which constitute a non-GAAP measure, were \$68.0 million or \$0.44 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2007 compared to \$61.7 million or \$0.39 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2006. This represents a 12.8% increase in earnings per diluted share on an adjusted non-GAAP basis. For a reconciliation of GAAP and non-GAAP measures, see the attached table.

COMMENTS FROM MANAGEMENT

2007 Second Quarter Results & 2007 Full Year Outlook

Bret Wise, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated "The investments that we are making and the excitement surrounding our new products, within the market place, continue to create opportunities for our businesses. We are especially pleased with the performance of our specialty products businesses, where we are experiencing strong double digit internal growth rates in implants, endodontics and orthodontics."

Mr. Wise also commented that, "During the quarter we continued to make progress on our strategic initiatives. Late in the quarter we completed three small acquisitions in diagnostics, implant sales and marketing, and endodontic materials. In addition, early in the third quarter, we closed the acquisition of Sultan Healthcare, which provide an entrance into the important and growing field of infection control, as well as expanding our product mix in preventive and restorative dental products."

Mr. Wise went on to state, "The continued momentum we see across our business strengthens our confidence in delivering strong and improved results in 2007. We are increasing our full year internal sales growth guidance for 2007 to 6-7%, and also increasing our earnings guidance from \$1.56 - \$1.61 given at the beginning of the year to \$1.60 - \$1.64 per diluted share, excluding income tax-related adjustments and restructuring and other costs."

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A conference call has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 2007 at 8:30 AM Eastern Time. A live broadcast is available through Shareholder.com by accessing DENTSPLY's website at www.dentsply.com. The Conference ID # is 8154661. In order to participate in the call, dial (800) 289-0529 (for domestic calls) and (913) 981-5523 (for international calls). An on-line rebroadcast, as well as a transcript of the conference call will be available to the public following the conference call at the DENTSPLY website: www.dentsply.com. The replay will be available for one week following the conference call at (888) 203-1112 (for domestic calls) and (719) 457-0820 (for international calls), Passcode # 8154661.

DENTSPLY designs, develops, manufactures and markets a broad range of products for the dental market. The Company believes that it is the world's leading manufacturer and distributor of dental prosthetics, precious metal dental alloys, dental ceramics, endodontic instruments and materials, prophylaxis paste, dental sealants, ultrasonic scalers, and crown and bridge materials; the leading United States manufacturer and distributor of dental handpieces, dental x-ray film holders, film mounts and bone substitute/grafting materials; and a leading worldwide manufacturer or distributor of dental implants, impression materials, orthodontic appliances, dental cutting instruments, infection control products, and dental injectable anesthetics. The Company distributes its dental products in over 120 countries under some of the most well-established brand names in the industry.

DENTSPLY is committed to the development of innovative, high quality, cost-effective new products for the dental market.

This press release contains forward-looking information (within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) regarding future events or the future financial performance of the Company that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Actual events or results may differ materially from those in the projections or other forward-looking information set forth herein as a result of certain risk factors.

These risk factors include, without limitation; the continued strength of dental markets, the timing, success and market reception for our new and existing products, uncertainty with respect to governmental actions with respect to dental products, outcome of litigation, continued support of our products by influential dental professionals, and changes in the general economic environment that could affect our business. Changes in such assumptions or factors could produce significantly different results.

For an additional description of risk factors, please refer to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and its subsequent periodic reports on Form 10-Qs filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

DENTSPLY believes that the non-GAAP financial information provided in this release may be useful to investors for comparison purposes because the Company has historically provided similar information. The non-GAAP financial information should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP.

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED June 30,		SIX MONTHS ENDED June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
NET SALES NET SALES - Ex Precious Metals	\$ 507,362 462,108	\$ 472,444 423,524	\$ 980,226 885,374	\$ 903,440 806,939
COST OF PRODUCTS SOLD	238,578	230,290	465,164	441,150
GROSS PROFIT % OF NET SALES % OF NET SALES - Ex Precious Metals	268,784 53.0% 58.2%	242,154 51.3% 57.2%	515,062 52.5% 58.2%	462,290 51.2% 57.3%
SELLING, GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	172,084	152,926	336,161	298,357
RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER OPERATING COSTS	3,207	2,636	4,197	7,333
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS % OF NET SALES % OF NET SALES - Ex Precious Metals NET INTEREST AND OTHER NON OPERATING (INCOME) EXPENSE	93,493 18.4% 20.2%	86,592 18.3% 20.4%	174,704 17.8% 19.7%	156,600 17.3% 19.4%
PRE-TAX INCOME	95,626	86,066	179,092	157,275
INCOME TAXES	30,193	26,750	55,187	47,955
NET INCOME % OF NET SALES % OF NET SALES - Ex Precious Metals	65,433 12.9% 14.2%	59,316 12.6% 14.0%	123,905 12.6% 14.0%	109,320 12.1% 13.5%
EARNINGS PER SHARE -BASIC -DILUTIVE	\$ 0.43 \$ 0.42	\$ 0.38 \$ 0.37	\$ 0.82 \$ 0.80	\$ 0.69 \$ 0.68
DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	\$ 0.0400	\$ 0.0350	\$ 0.0800	\$ 0.0700
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING -BASIC -DILUTIVE	152,000 154,873	156,814 159,834	152,016 154,723	157,402 160,446

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (IN THOUSANDS)

	June 30, 2007	December 31, 2006		
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ 69,433	\$ 65,064		
SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS	110,791	79		
ACCOUNTS AND NOTES RECEIVABLE-TRADE, NET	322,900	290,791		
INVENTORIES, NET	249,864	232,441		
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	116,757	129,816		
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	869,745	718,191		
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET	333,949	329,616		
GOODWILL, NET	1,020,020	995,382		
IDENTIFIABLE INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET	71,425	67,648		
OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS, NET	93,431	70,513		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,388,570	\$ 2,181,350		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 291,075	\$ 311,434		
LONG-TERM DEBT	397,124	367,161		
OTHER LIABILITIES	244,920	175,507		
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	56,716	53,191		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	989,835	907,293		
MINORITY INTEREST IN CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES	249	222		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,398,486	1,273,835		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 2,388,570	\$ 2,181,350		

(IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

Operating Income Summary:

The following tables present the reconciliation of reported GAAP operating income in total and on a percentage of net sales excluding precious metals basis to the non-GAAP financial measures.

Three Months Ended June 30, 2007	Operating Income (Expense)		Percentage of Net Sales Ex Precious Metals	
Income from Operations	\$	93,493	20.2%	
Restructuring and Other Costs		3,207	0.7%	
Adjusted Non-GAAP Operating Earnings	\$	96,700	20.9%	
	Operating Income (Expense)			
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(IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

Earnings Summary:

The following tables present the reconciliation of reported GAAP net income in total and on a per share basis to the non-GAAP financial measures.

Three Months Ended June 30, 2007	Income (Expense)		Diluted Per Share		
Net Income	\$ 65,433	\$	0.42		
Restructuring and Other Costs, Net of Tax	2,022		0.01		
Income Tax Related Adjustments	588		0.01		
Adjusted Non-GAAP Earnings	\$ 68,043	\$	0.44		
Three Months Ended June 30, 2006	Income (Expense)	Dilt Per S			
Net Income	\$ 59,316	\$	0.37		
Restructuring and Other Costs, Net of Tax	1,638		0.01		
Income Tax Related Adjustments	783		0.01		
Adjusted Non-GAAP Earnings	\$ 61,737	<u> </u>	0.39		

(IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

Operating Income Summary:

The following tables present the reconciliation of reported GAAP operating income in total and on a percentage of net sales excluding precious metals basis to the non-GAAP financial measures.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2007	Operating Income (Expense)		Percentage of Net Sales Ex Precious Metals	
Income from Operations	\$	174,704	19.7%	
Restructuring and Other Costs		4,197	0.5%	
Adjusted Non-GAAP Operating Earnings	\$	178,901	20.2%	
Six Months Ended June 30, 2006	Operating Income (Expense)		Percentage of Net Sales Ex Precious Metals	
Income from Operations	\$	156,600	19.4%	
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Restructuring and Other Costs	<u> </u>	7,333	0.9%	

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Earnings Summary:

The following tables present the reconciliation of reported GAAP net income in total and on a per share basis to the non-GAAP financial measures.

Six Months	Ended	June	30,	2007	

Six	Income (Expense)	Diluted Per Share	
Net Income	\$ 123,905	\$	0.80
Restructuring and Other Costs, Net of Tax	2,678		0.02
Income Tax Related Adjustments	356		0.00
Adjusted Non-GAAP Earnings	\$ 126,939	\$	0.82
Six Months Ended June 30, 2006	Income (Expense)	Diluted Per Share	
Net Income	\$ 109,320	\$	0.68
Restructuring and Other Costs, Net of Tax	4,692		0.03
Income Tax Related Adjustments	648		0.00
Adjusted Non-GAAP Earnings	\$ 114,660	\$	0.71