

STRYKER CORP
Form 8-K
January 17, 2013

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): January 17, 2013

STRYKER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Michigan | 0-9165 | 38-1239739 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

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| 2825 Airview Boulevard, Kalamazoo, Michigan | 49002 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 269.385.2600

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On January 17, 2013, Stryker Corporation announced an offer to acquire Trauson Holdings Company Limited, a leading manufacturer of trauma and spine products in China. Copies of the joint offer announcement and related press release are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Joint Offer Announcement dated as of January 17, 2013 by Stryker Corporation and Trauson Holdings Company Limited

99.2 Press release dated January 17, 2013

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.

STRYKER CORPORATION
(Registrant)

January 17, 2013
Date

/s/ DEAN H. BERGY
Dean H. Bergy
Interim Chief Financial Officer and Vice
President, Corporate Secretary