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): October 26, 2005

Kennametal Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Pennsylvania

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-5318 25-0900168

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

World Headquarters 1600 Technology Way P.O. Box 231 Latrobe, Pennsylvania 15650-0231

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (724) 539-5000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 26, 2005, Kennametal Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing financial results for its first quarter ended September 30, 2005.

The press release contains adjusted return on invested capital, which is a non-GAAP financial measure and is defined below.

Management believes that investors should have available the same information that management uses to assess operating performance, determine compensation and assess the capital structure of the Company. This non-GAAP measure should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for its most comparable GAAP measure. Non-GAAP financial measures utilized by the Company may not be comparable to non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies.

Adjusted Return on Invested Capital

Adjusted Return on Invested Capital is a non-GAAP financial measure and is defined as the previous 12 months' net income, adjusted for interest expense and special items, divided by the sum of the previous 12 months' average balances of debt, securitized accounts receivable, minority interest and shareowners' equity. Management believes that this financial measure provides additional insight into the underlying capital structuring and performance of the Company. Management utilizes this non-GAAP measure in determining compensation and assessing the operations of the Company.

A copy of the Company's earnings announcement is furnished under Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto. Reconciliations of the above non-GAAP financial measures are included in the earnings announcement.

Additionally, during our quarterly teleconference we may use various non-GAAP financial measures to describe the underlying operating results. Management believes that investors should have available the same information that management uses to assess operating performance, determine compensation and assess the capital structure of the Company. These non-GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the most comparable GAAP measures. Non-GAAP financial measures utilized by the Company may not be comparable to non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies. Accordingly, we have compiled below certain reconciliations as required by Regulation G.

EBIT

EBIT is an acronym for Earnings Before Interest and Taxes and is not a calculation in accordance with GAAP. The most directly comparable GAAP measure is net income. However, we believe that EBIT is widely used as a measure of operating performance and we believe EBIT to be an important indicator of the Company's operational strength and performance. Nevertheless, the measure should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating income, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure for determining liquidity that is calculated in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, Kennametal will adjust EBIT for restructuring charges, interest income and other items. Management uses this information in reviewing operating performance and in the determination of compensation.

Adjusted Sales

Kennametal adjusts current period sales as reported under GAAP for specific items including foreign currency translation. Management believes that adjusting the current period sales as reported under GAAP yields a more consistent comparison of year over year results and provides additional insight into the underlying operations. Management uses this information in reviewing operating performance and in the determination of compensation.

Normalized Earnings Per Share

Normalized Earnings Per Share is a non-GAAP financial measure and is defined as earnings per share, adjusted for the current year's anticipated effective tax rate. Management believes that this financial measure provides a more representative comparison of the Company's financial performance period to period.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND RECONCILIATIONS FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

KENNAMETAL INC. EBIT RECONCILIATION (Unaudited)

	Quarter Septemb		
	2005	2004	
Net income, as reported	\$ 28,097	\$ 22,720	
As % of sales	4.9%	4.3%	
Add back:			
Interest	7,829	6,456	
Taxes	15,059	13,330	
EBIT	50,985	42,506	
Additional adjustments:			
Minority interest	748	977	
Interest income	(934)	(689)	
Securitization fees	1,065	580	
Adjusted EBIT	\$ 51,864	\$ 43,374	
Adjusted EBIT as % of sales	9.1%	8.2%	
MSSG SEGMENT (Unaudited)			
		Quarter Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004	
Sales, as reported	\$346,538	\$315,870	
Foreign currency exchange	(5,963)		
Adjusted sales	<u>\$ 340,575</u>	\$315,870	
AMSG SEGMENT (Unaudited)			
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	Quarter Septem		
	2005	2004	
Sales, as reported	\$157,678	\$117,886	
Foreign currency exchange	(782)	_	
Adjusted sales	\$156,896	\$117,886	

J&L SEGMENT (Unaudited)

	Quartei	: Ended
	Septem	iber 30,
	2005	2004
Sales, as reported	\$ 65,002	\$ 61,417
Foreign currency exchange	80	
Adjusted sales	\$ 65,082	\$ 61,417

Normalized EPS (Unaudited):

For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2004

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EPS, as reported	\$ 0.74
Add: Provision for income taxes per diluted share, at December 2004 effective tax rate of 20%	0.19
Deduct: Provision for income taxes per diluted share at the anticipated FY 2006 effective tax rate of 35% (\$12,735)	(0.33)
Normalized EPS	\$ 0.60

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Fiscal 2006 First Quarter Earnings Announcement

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Signatures

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

KENNAMETAL INC.

Date: October 26, 2005

By: /s/ Timothy A. Hibbard

Timothy A. Hibbard
Corporate Controller and Chief

Accounting Officer



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DATE: October 26, 2005

FOR RELEASE: Immediate

KENNAMETAL REPORTS STRONG FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

- Q1 06 sales up 7 percent, reflects 9 percent organic growth
- Earnings per diluted share (EPS) of \$0.72, up 18 percent
- Another quarter of strong cash flow generation

LATROBE, Pa., October 26, 2005 — Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) today reported fiscal 2006 first quarter EPS of \$0.72, including expenses related to the adoption of SFAS 123(R) of \$0.05 per share and increased domestic pension expense of \$0.04 per share, compared with prior year first quarter EPS of \$0.61.

Sales of \$569 million were up 7 percent compared to prior year first quarter sales of \$531 million.

Kennametal Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Markos I. Tambakeras, said, "First quarter results exceeded our expectations due to favorable sales mix, raw material costs up appreciably over last year but lower than anticipated and better than expected price realization. Each of our three business groups, Metalworking Solutions and Services, Advanced Materials Solutions, and J&L Industrial Supply, is winning in the marketplace and continues to provide superior value to customers through our leadership position in technology and innovation focused on helping customers improve their competitiveness."

Highlights of the Fiscal 2006 First Quarter

- Sales of \$569 million were up 7 percent versus the same quarter last year, including 9 percent organic sales growth, 1 percent benefit from foreign currency exchange and partially offset by net impact of acquisitions and divestitures.
- Net income was \$28 million compared to \$23 million in the prior year, up 24 percent.
- Net cash flow from operations was \$27 million versus \$32 million in the same quarter last year.
- ROIC was up 230 basis points to 9.9 percent a new high.

Outlook

Economic indicators project continued growth through fiscal 2006 in North America and the rest-of-the-world markets, and flat to modest growth in European markets. Kennametal continues to expect organic revenue growth in the 7 to 10 percent range, at two to three times the underlying growth rates in industrial production of its addressed end markets.

Tambakeras said, "We were very pleased with our performance for the first quarter of fiscal 2006, and the outlook for our end markets for the remainder of the year remains positive. The major challenge in fiscal year 2006 continues to revolve around raw material costs, especially tungsten. We have demonstrated the ability to meet this challenge and expect to continue doing so for the remainder of the year."

Reported EPS for fiscal year 2006 is now expected to be \$3.50 to \$3.90, including an approximately \$0.25 negative impact from the combination of expensing options due to SFAS 123(R) and the effects of the reduction in the discount rate applied to the company's pension plans. This revised earnings outlook represents an increase from previous 2006 EPS guidance of \$3.30 to \$3.80. In addition to narrowing the earnings guidance range, the revised outlook establishes a lower range that reflects a 12 percent increase, and a higher range that reflects a 25 percent increase from prior year EPS of \$3.13.

Organic sales for the second quarter of fiscal year 2006 are expected to grow 6 to 9 percent, despite tougher comparisons. The company is expecting its top line growth to moderate slightly in the second quarter due to the collective impact of a rising interest rate environment, sustained higher energy costs and the effect of recent hurricanes. In addition, the company anticipates continuing pressure on raw material costs. Reported EPS is forecasted to be in the range of \$0.68 to \$0.73, consistent with our seasonal pattern and reflects confidence in the company's ability to maintain the momentum of first quarter. Furthermore, this earnings guidance is based on an effective tax rate of 35 percent compared with 20 percent effective tax rate in the second quarter of last year.

Operating margins and ROIC are expected to reflect continued improvement for the remainder of fiscal year 2006.

As previously discussed, Kennametal anticipates net cash flow provided by operating activities of approximately \$200 million to \$220 million for fiscal 2006. Adjusting net cash flow provided by operating activities for the impact of purchases of property, plant and equipment (\$80 million), Kennametal expects to generate between \$120 million to \$140 million of free operating cash flow for fiscal 2006.

Dividend Declared

Kennametal also announced its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.19 per share, reflecting a 12% increase recently implemented. The dividend is payable November 21, 2005, to shareowners of record as of the close of business on November 9, 2005.

Kennametal advises shareowners to note monthly order trends, for which the company makes a disclosure ten business days after the conclusion of each month. This information is available on the Investor Relations section of Kennametal's corporate web site at www.kennametal.com.

First quarter results will be discussed in a live Internet broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time today. This event will be broadcast live on the company's website, www.kennametal.com. Once on the homepage, just click on the link to "Corporate", and then click "Investor Relations." This event also will be available on the company's website through November 9, 2005.

This release contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1934 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. You can identify these forward-looking statements by the fact they use words such as "should," "anticipate," "estimate," "approximate," "expect," "may," "will," "project," "intend," "plan," "believe" and other words of similar meaning and expression in connection with any discussion of future operating or financial performance. One can also identify forward-looking statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. These statements are likely to relate to, among other things, our goals, plans and projections regarding our financial position, results of operations, market position, and product development, which are based on current expectations that involve inherent risks and uncertainties, including factors that could delay, divert or change any of them in the next several years. Although it is not possible to predict or identify all factors, they may include the following: global and regional economic conditions; risks associated with the availability and costs of raw materials; commodity prices; risks associated with integrating and divesting businesses and achieving the expected savings and synergies; competition; demands on management resources; risks associated with international markets, such as currency exchange rates and social and political environments; future terrorist attacks; labor relations; demand for and market acceptance of new and

existing products; and risks associated with the implementation of restructuring plans and environmental remediation matters. We can give no assurance that any goal or plan set forth in forward-looking statements can be achieved and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements, which speak only as of the date made. We undertake no obligation to release publicly any revisions to forward-looking statements as a result of future events or developments.

Kennametal Inc. (NYSE:KMT) is a leading global supplier of tooling, engineered components and advanced materials consumed in production processes. The company improves customers' competitiveness by providing superior economic returns through the delivery of application knowledge and advanced technology to master the toughest of materials application demands. Companies producing everything from airframes to coal, from medical implants to oil wells and from turbochargers to motorcycle parts recognize Kennametal for extraordinary contributions to their value chains. Customers buy over \$2 billion annually of Kennametal products and services—delivered by our 14,000 talented employees in over 60 countries—with almost 50 percent of these revenues coming from outside the United States. Visit us at www.kennametal.com [KMT-E]

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited):

(in thousands, except per share amounts)		Quarter Ended September 30, 2005 2004			
Sales	\$569,218	\$531,436			
Cost of goods sold	369,348	358,041			
Cost of goods sold		550,011			
Gross profit	199,870	173,395			
Operating expense	147,662	130,949			
Amortization of intangibles	1,351	537			
Operating income	50,857	41,909			
Interest expense	7,829	6,456			
Other income, net	(876)	(1,574			
Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest	43,904	37,027			
Provision for income taxes	15,059	13,330			
Minority interest	748	977			
Net income	\$ 28,097	\$ 22,720			
Basic earnings per share	<u>\$ 0.74</u>	\$ 0.62			
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.61			
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Dividends per share	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.17			
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	37,949	36,373			
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	38,915	37,363			
SEGMENT DATA (Unaudited):					
		r Ended			
	Septen	nber 30, 2004			
Outside Sales:	#2.46.F20	# D4 E 0 E 0			
Metalworking Solutions and Services Group	\$346,538	\$315,870			
Advanced Materials Solutions Group	157,678	117,886			
J&L Industrial Supply	65,002	61,417			
Full Service Supply		36,263			
Total Outside Sales	\$569,218	\$531,436			
Sales By Geographic Region:					
Within the United States	\$307,399	\$301,783			
International	261,819	229,653			
Total Sales by Geographic Region	\$569,218	\$531,436			
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Operating Income (Loss):					
Metalworking Solutions and Services Group	\$ 46,246	\$ 38,872			
Advanced Materials Solutions Group	23,328	14,533			
J&L Industrial Supply	6,844	5,721			
Full Service Supply		120			
Corporate and eliminations (1)	(25,561)	(17,337			

⁽¹⁾ Includes corporate functional shared services and intercompany eliminations.

Total Operating Income, as reported

\$ 50,857

\$ 41,909

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited):

	September 30, 2005	June 30, 2005
ASSETS		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 37,916	\$ 43,220
Trade receivables, net of allowance	389,964	403,097
Receivables securitized	(100,445)	(109,786)
Accounts receivable, net	289,519	293,311
Inventories	420,285	386,674
Deferred income taxes	70,912	70,391
Other current assets	34,004	37,466
Total current assets	852,636	831,062
Property, plant and equipment, net	517,127	519,301
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	644,730	652,791
Other assets	86,633	89,183
Total	\$ 2,101,126	\$2,092,337
LIABILITIES		
Short-term debt, including notes payable	\$ 6,770	\$ 50,889
Accounts payable	150,269	154,839
Accrued liabilities	221,445	222,930
Total current liabilities	378,484	428,658
Long-term debt	408,480	386,485
Deferred income taxes	54,307	59,551
Other liabilities	232,344	227,321
Total liabilities	1,073,615	1,102,015
MINORITY INTEREST	18,117	17,460
SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY	1,009,394	972,862
		
Total	\$ 2,101,126	\$2,092,337

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RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL (Unaudited):

For the Period Ended September 30, 2005

Invested Capital	9/30/2005	6/30/2005	3/31/2005	12/31/2004	9/30/2004	Average
Debt	\$ 415,250	\$ 437,374	\$ 485,168	\$ 405,156	\$ 435,435	\$ 435,667
Accounts receivable securitized	100,445	109,786	120,749	115,253	115,309	112,308
Minority interest	18,117	17,460	19,664	19,249	17,377	18,373
Shareowners' equity	1,009,394	972,862	1,021,186	1,003,507	924,432	986,276
Total	\$ 1,543,206	\$ 1,537,482	\$ 1,646,767	\$ 1,543,165	\$1,492,553	\$1,552,635
			Quarter Ended			
Interest Expense	9/30/2005	6/30/2005	Enaea 3/31/2005	12/31/2004	Total	
Interest expense	\$ 7,829	\$ 7,897	\$ 6,803	\$ 6,121	\$ 28,650	
Securitization interest	1,065	981	868	757	3,671	
Total interest expense	\$ 8,894	\$ 8,878	\$ 7,671	\$ 6,878	\$ 32,321	
Income tax benefit				 	11,086	
Total Interest Expense, net of tax					\$ 21,235	
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			Ended			
Total Income	9/30/2005	6/30/2005	3/31/2005	12/31/2004	Total	
Net Income, as reported	\$ 28,097	\$ 37,740	\$ 30,650	\$ 28,181	\$ 124.668	
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impairment charges	_	_	3,306	_	3,306	
Loss on assets held for sale	_	_	1,086	_	1,086	
Minority interest expense	748	238	1,449	928	3,363	
Total Income, excluding special						
items	\$ 28,845	\$ 37,978	\$ 36,491	\$ 29,109	\$ 132,423	
Total Income, excluding special					·	
items					\$ 132,423	
Total Interest Expense, net of tax					21,235	
					\$ 153,658	
Average invested capital					\$1,552,635	
Adjusted Return on Invested						
Capital					9.9%	
Return on Invested Capital calculated util	liging Not Income	es reported is as fall.	OT-JC!			
Net Income, as reported	nzing ivet income, a	is reported is as follo	UWS.		\$ 124,668	
Total Interest Expense, net of tax					21,235	
Total interest Expense, net of tax					\$ 145,903	
Average invested capital					\$ 1,552,635	
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Return on Invested Capital					9.4%	
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RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL (Unaudited):

For the Period Ended September 30, 2004

Invested Capital	9/	30/2004	6/3	30/2004	3/3	31/2004	12	/31/2003		30/2003	Average
Debt	\$	435,435	\$	440,207	\$	494,312	\$	481,327	\$	520,138	\$ 474,284
Accounts receivable securitized		115,309		117,480		108,916		101,422		95,318	107,689
Minority interest		17,377		16,232		16,598		16,286		16,089	16,516
Equity		924,432		887,152		809,904		791,442		746,562	831,899
Total	\$ 1	,492,553	\$ 1,	461,071	\$ 1	,429,730	\$ 1	1,390,477	\$1	,378,107	\$1,430,388
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						Quarter Ended					
Interest Expense	9/30/2004		6/30/2004		3/31/2004		12/31/2003			Total	
Interest expense	\$	6,456	\$	6,405	\$	6,332	\$	6,547	\$	25,740	
Securitization interest		580		443		356		483		1,862	
Total interest expense	\$	7,036	\$	6,848	\$	6,688	\$	7,030	\$	27,602	
Income tax benefit										9,109	
Total Interest Expense, net of tax									\$	18,493	
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					(Quarter					
						Ended					
Total Income	9	/30/2004	6/	30/2004		/31/2004	12	2/31/2003		Total	
Net Income, as reported	\$	22,720	\$	29,852	\$	24,070	\$	10,892	\$	87,534	
Minority Interest Expense		977		(36)		533		404	•	1,878	
MSSG Restructuring		_		`		_		1,109		1,109	
AMSG Restructuring		_		_		_		1,018		1,018	
Pension Curtailment		_		_		_		883		883	
Gain on Toshiba Investment		_		_		_		(2,990)		(2,990)	
Strong Tool Note Receivable								1,360		1,360	
Total Income, excluding special											
items	\$	23,697	\$	29,816	\$	24,603	\$	12,676	\$	90,792	
Total Income, excluding special											
items									\$	90,792	
Total Interest Expense, net of tax										18,493	
										109,285	
Average Invested Capital									\$1	,430,388	
Adjusted Return on Invested											
Capital										7.6%	
Return on Invested Capital calculated	utilizir	ng Net Incom	ie, as re	ported is as f	follows						
Net Income, as reported									\$	87,534	
Total Interest Expense, net of tax										18,493	
										106,027	
Average invested capital									\$1	,430,388	
Return on Invested Capital										7.4%	