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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): June 21, 2016**

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**Kennametal Thrift Plus Plan**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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**Pennsylvania**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**1-5318**  
(Commission File Number)

**25-0900168**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**600 Grant Street  
Suite 5100  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**15219-2706**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (412) 248-8200**

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

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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 4.01 Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.**

On June 21, 2016, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Kennametal Inc. (the "Company"), dismissed Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. ("Schneider Downs") as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Kennametal Thrift Plus Plan (the "Plan") and authorized the engagement of Herbein + Company, Inc. ("Herbein") as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Plan, effective February 2016.

Schneider Downs's report on the Plan's financial statements for each of the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion, and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principle. During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and through February 8, 2016, there were no disagreements with Schneider Downs on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements if not resolved to the satisfaction of Schneider Downs would have caused them to make reference thereto in their report on the financial statements for such years. During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and through February 8, 2016, there were no reportable events as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K.

During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 and through February 8, 2016, neither the Plan nor the Company consulted Herbein with respect to the application of accounting principles to a Plan specified transaction, either completed or proposed, the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Plan's financial statements or any other matters or reportable events as set forth in Items 304(a)(2)(i) and (ii) of Regulation S-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.****(d) Exhibits**

16.1 Letter from Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. to the Securities and Exchange Commission dated June 23, 2016, filed herewith.

**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.

Date: June 23, 2016

KENNAMETAL INC.

By: /s/ Martha A. Fusco

Martha Fusco

Vice President Finance and Corporate Controller

June 23, 2016

Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20549

Commissioners:

We have read the statements made by the Kennametal Thrift Plus Plan (copy attached), which we understand will be filed with the Commission, pursuant to Item 4.01 of Form 8-K, as part of the Plan's Form 8-K report dated June 23, 2016. We agree with the statements concerning our Firm in such Form 8-K.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Schneider Downs & Co., Inc.

Schneider Downs & Co., Inc.