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

October 4, 2018

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)



EMCORE CORPORATION

Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter

New Jersey
State of Incorporation

001-36632

22-2746503

Commission File Number

IRS Employer Identification Number

2015 W. Chestnut Street, Alhambra, California, 91803

Address of principal executive offices, including zip code

(626) 293-3400

Registrant'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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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
Emerging growth company \Box
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o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 4, 2018, EMCORE Corporation (the "Registrant") issued a press release disclosing its preliminary financial results for its fourth quarter ended September 30, 2018. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

The information in this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Registrant, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference to such filing. Furthermore, the information in this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1 hereto, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise be subject to the liabilities of that section.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release, dated October 4, 2018, issued by EMCORE Corporation.

SIGNATURE

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.

EMCORE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jikun Kim

Name: Jikun Kim

Dated: October 4, 2018 Title: Chief Financial Officer

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PRESS RELEASE

EMCORE Corporation Announces Preliminary Financial Results for the Fourth Fiscal Quarter Ended September 30, 2018

ALHAMBRA, California, October 4, 2018 - EMCORE Corporation (Nasdaq: <u>EMKR</u>), a leading provider of advanced *Mixed-Signal Optics* products that provide the foundation for today's high-speed communications network infrastructures and leading-edge defense systems, today announced preliminary revenue for its fourth fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2018.

EMCORE estimates its revenues for the quarter to be approximately \$24.2M to \$25.2M compared to its previous revenue guidance for the quarter of a range of \$21M to \$23M. Certain principal factors that contributed to the higher than expected revenues in the quarter ended September 30, 2018 include:

- Higher levels of L-EML transmitter sales resulted in higher than expected revenues in the quarter.
- Completion of a long term agreement with a major defense prime contractor resulted in higher Navigation product shipments in the quarter.

Jeffrey Rittichier, EMCORE's President and CEO commented, "We saw a sharper rebound in CATV sales during the quarter than anticipated along with strength in our Navigation Business." Rittichier went on to say, "We shipped record volumes of L-EML transmitters in Q4, including production shipments of all of the L-EML design wins that we recently announced."

These preliminary, unaudited results are based on the most current information available to management following its initial review of operations for the quarter ended September 30, 2018, and remain subject to completion of EMCORE's customary closing procedures, including external auditor review.

About EMCORE

EMCORE Corporation is a leading provider of advanced *Mixed-Signal Optics* products that provide the foundation for today's high-speed communication network infrastructures and leading-edge defense systems. Our optical chips, components, subsystems and systems enable broadband and wireless providers to continually enhance their network capacity, speed and coverage to advance the free flow of information that empowers the lives of millions of people daily. The *Mixed-Signal Optics* technology at the heart of our broadband transmission products is shared with our fiber optic gyros and military communications links to provide the aerospace and defense markets state-of-the-art systems that keep us safe in an increasingly unpredictable world. EMCORE's performance-leading optical components and systems serve a broad array of applications including cable television, fiber-to-the-premise networks, telecommunications, data centers, wireless infrastructure, satellite RF fiber links, navigation systems and military communications. EMCORE has fully vertically-integrated manufacturing capability through its world-class Indium Phosphide (InP) wafer fabrication facility at our headquarters in Alhambra, California and is ISO 9001 certified in Alhambra and at our facility in Beijing, China. For further information about EMCORE, visit https://www.emcore.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

The information provided herein may include forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements are largely based on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends affecting the financial condition of our business. Such forward-looking statements include, in particular, our estimated revenue for the fourth quarter ended September 30, 2018.

These forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of terms and phrases such as "anticipates", "believes", "can", "could", "estimates", "expects", "forecasts", "intends", "may", "plans", "projects", "targets", "will", and similar expressions or variations of these terms and similar phrases. Additionally, statements concerning future matters such as the development of new products, enhancements or technologies, sales levels, expense levels and other statements regarding matters that are not historical are forward-looking statements. We caution that these forward-looking statements relate to future events or our future financial performance and are subject to business, economic, and other risks and uncertainties, both known and unknown, that may cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements of our business or our industry to be materially different from those expressed or implied by any forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected, including without limitation, the following: (a) the rapidly evolving markets for the Company's products and uncertainty regarding the development of these markets; (b) the Company's historical dependence on sales to a limited number of customers and fluctuations in the mix of products and customers in any period; (c) delays and other difficulties in commercializing new products; (d) the failure of new products: (i) to perform as expected without material defects, (ii) to be manufactured at acceptable volumes, yields, and cost, (iii) to be qualified and accepted by our customers, and (iv) to successfully compete with products offered by our competitors; (e) uncertainties concerning the availability and cost of commodity materials and specialized product components that we do not make internally; (f) actions by competitors; and (g) other risks and uncertainties discussed under Item 1A - Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, as updated by our subsequent periodic reports.

Forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions and analysis made in light of our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors that we believe are appropriate under the circumstances. While these statements represent our judgment on what the future may hold, and we believe these judgments are reasonable, these statements are not guarantees of any events or financial results. All forward-looking statements in this press release are made as of the date hereof, based on information available to us as of the date hereof, and subsequent facts or circumstances may contradict, obviate, undermine, or otherwise fail to support or substantiate such statements. We caution you not to rely on these statements without also considering the risks and uncertainties associated with these statements and our business that are addressed in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") that are available on the SEC's web site located at www.sec.gov, including the sections entitled "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Certain information included in this press release may supersede or supplement forward-looking statements in our other Exchange Act reports filed with the SEC. We assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to conform such statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations, except as required by applicable law or regulation.

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