# 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)

April 3, 2013

### CONN'S, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

#### Delaware

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

1-34956 (Commission File Number) **06-1672840** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4055 Technology Forest Blvd. Suite 210 The Woodlands, TX 77381

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and zip code)

#### (936) 230-5899

(Registrant's telephone

number, including area code)

#### N/A

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

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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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) 12 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 240.13e-2(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 3, 2013, we issued a press release announcing our earnings for the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2013. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated April 3, 2013, announcing earnings for fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2013.

None of the information contained in Item 2.02 or Exhibit 99.1 of this Form 8-K shall be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and none of it shall be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

#### **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.

CONN'S, INC.

Date: April 3, 2013 By: /s/ Brian E. Taylor

Brian E. Taylor Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

### EXHIBIT INDEX

### Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated April 3, 2013, announcing earnings for fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2013.

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

#### CONN'S, INC. ANNOUNCES RECORD FOURTH-QUARTER FISCAL 2013 EARNINGS

Adjusted diluted earnings per share of \$0.54 for the quarter Fiscal 2014 earnings guidance raised to \$2.40 - \$2.50 per diluted share

**THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (April 3, 2013)** – Conn's, Inc. (NASDAQ:CONN), a specialty retailer of home appliances, furniture, mattresses, consumer electronics and provider of consumer credit, today announced its results for the quarter ended January 31, 2013.

Significant items for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013 include:

- Consolidated revenues grew 10.4% from the prior-year period to \$250.3 million;
- Same store sales increased 7.0% year-over-year, on top of same store sales growth of 12.1% last year;
- Retail gross margin equaled 36.9% for the quarter;
- Retail segment operating income was \$19.8 million on an adjusted basis, over double the level reported in the prior-year period;
- Adjusted credit segment operating income totaled \$13.6 million, an increase of 12.2% from the prior-year quarter; and
- Diluted earnings per share was \$0.50 on a reported basis, versus \$0.24 per share last year.

"Continued revenue and profitability improvement in our retail and credit operations generated record fourth-quarter and full-year results," stated Theodore M. Wright, the Company's Chairman and CEO. "Our five new Conn's HomePlus stores are performing well and we plan to open 10 to 12 more over the balance of fiscal 2014. Average revenue for the new stores was 1.6 times the overall Company average for the three months ended March 31, 2013, with approximately 36% of those sales generated from furniture and mattresses. Same store sales for February and March rose 15% on a combined basis over last year despite a 3% decline in same store sales of consumer electronics."

#### **Retail Segment Results**

Revenues were \$208.7 million for the three-month period ended January 31, 2013, an increase of \$18.4 million, or 9.7%, over the prior-year period. Furniture and mattress sales rose 54.2% from the same quarter last year, accounting for the majority of the reported growth. Double-digit revenue growth was also reported for appliances and home office equipment. The year-over-year comparison also reflects the benefit of the five new Conn's HomePlus<sup>TM</sup> stores opened in fiscal 2013 – with January 2013 being the first full month all new stores were operating. Additionally, 20 existing stores were updated to the Conn's HomePlus format as of year-end, favorably influencing results. The closure of one store during the current quarter and seven stores in the previous four quarters tempered the reported growth.

For the quarter ended January 31, 2013, retail gross margin was 36.9%, an increase of 720 basis points over last year. Continued margin improvement was realized in each of the product categories – reflecting the benefit of the sale of higher price-point, higher-margin goods, and sourcing opportunities. The majority of the margin expansion was driven by the consumer electronic and appliance categories which accounted for almost two-thirds of product revenue for the current quarter. Product margin on furniture and mattress sales rose 11.1 percentage points from the prior-year period to 46.7% of sales, also favorably impacting retail gross margin. Furniture and mattress sales were 20.9% of total product revenue in the current period and accounted for 30.8% of the total product gross profit.

#### **Credit Segment Results**

Revenues were \$41.6 million for the current quarter, up 14.5% from the prior-year period. The revenue increase was attributable primarily to a comparable year-over-year increase in the average receivable portfolio balance outstanding. The portfolio balance rose to \$741.5 million at year-end, from \$643.3 million as of January 31, 2012, due to higher retail sales volumes and credit penetration over the past year. The portfolio interest and fee income yield was 18.7% for the three months ended January 31, 2013, relatively consistent with the prior-year period but down 60 basis points sequentially as a result of increased short-term, no-interest financing.

Provision for bad debts rose \$2.4 million over last year to \$12.7 million for the quarter ended January 31, 2013. This additional provision was driven by the \$57.8 million increase in the receivable portfolio during the current quarter – 53.5% above the growth experienced in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012.

Additional information on the credit portfolio and its performance may be found in the table included within this press release and in the Company's Form 10-K to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

For the quarter ended January 31, 2013, the Company reported net income of \$0.50 per diluted share, which includes pre-tax charges of \$1.9 million associated with store closures and lease terminations, employee severance and the relocation of the Company's corporate office to The Woodlands, Texas. The Company's reported net income was \$0.24 per diluted share in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012, and includes pre-tax costs and impairment charges of \$5.1 million related to store closures.

#### **Capital and Liquidity**

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, the Company completed a common stock offering in which it sold approximately 2.2 million shares of common stock and received net proceeds of \$56.0 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and other offering-related expenses. Additionally, the Company received net proceeds of \$22.4 million in connection with the sale and lease back of four properties. The proceeds from these transactions were used to reduce outstanding debt balances.

As of January 31, 2013, the Company had \$262.4 million outstanding under its asset-based loan facility, excluding \$4.3 million of letters of credit. Additionally, as of January 31, 2013, the Company had \$209.5 million of immediately available borrowing capacity, and an additional \$68.8 million that could become available upon increases in eligible inventory and customer receivable balances under the borrowing base.

On March 27, 2013, the Company received an additional \$40 million of lender commitments under its asset-based loan facility increasing total commitments to \$585 million.

#### **Outlook and Guidance**

The Company increased earnings guidance for the fiscal year ending January 31, 2014, to diluted earnings per share of \$2.40 to \$2.50 on an adjusted basis. The following expectations were considered in developing the guidance for the full year:

- Same stores sales up 3% to 8%;
- New store openings of between 10 and 12;
- Retail gross margin between 35.5% and 36.5%;
- An increase in the credit portfolio balance;
- Provision for bad debts of between 6.0% and 6.5% of the average portfolio balance outstanding;
- Selling, general and administrative expense of between 28.0% and 29.0% of total revenues; and
- Diluted shares outstanding of approximately 36.5 million.

#### **Conference Call Information**

Conn's, Inc. will host a conference call and audio webcast on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, at 10:00 A.M. CT, to discuss its earnings and operating performance for the quarter. A link to the live webcast, which will be archived for one year, and slides to be referred to during the call will be available at <u>ir.Conns.com</u>. Participants can join the call by dialing 877-754-5302 or 678-894-3020.

#### About Conn's, Inc.

Conn's is a specialty retailer currently operating 68 retail locations in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona. The Company's primary product categories include:

- Home appliance, including refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers, dishwashers and ranges;
- Furniture and mattress, including furniture and related accessories for the living room, dining room and bedroom as well as both traditional and specialty mattresses;
- Consumer electronic, including LCD, LED, 3-D and plasma televisions, Blu-ray players, home theater and video game products, camcorders, digital cameras, and portable audio equipment; and
- Home office, including computers, tablets, printers and accessories.

Additionally, the Company offers a variety of products on a seasonal basis, including lawn and garden equipment, room air conditioners and outdoor furniture. Unlike many of its competitors, the Company provides flexible in-house credit options for its customers, in addition to third-party financing programs and third-party rent-to-own payment plans.

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Such forward-looking statements include information concerning our future financial performance, business strategy, plans, goals and objectives. Statements containing the words "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "project," "should," or the negative of such terms or other similar expressions are generally forward-looking in nature and not historical facts. Although we believe that the expectations, opinions, projections, and comments reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such statements will prove to be correct. A wide variety of potential risks, uncertainties, and other factors could materially affect our ability to achieve the results either expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements including, but not limited to: general economic conditions impacting our customers or potential customers; our ability to continue existing or offer new customer financing programs; changes in the delinquency status of our credit portfolio; higher than anticipated net charge-offs in the credit portfolio; the success of our planned opening of new stores and the updating of existing stores; technological and market developments and sales trends for our major product offerings; our ability to fund our operations, capital expenditures, debt repayment and expansion from cash flows from operations, borrowings from our revolving credit facility, and proceeds from accessing debt or equity markets; and the other risks detailed from time-to-time in our SEC reports, including but not limited to, our Annual Report on Form 10-K. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this press release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

# CONN'S, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED, CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

Three Months Ended January 31.

	31,				Year Ended January 3			ary 31,							
	2013		2012		2012 2013		2012 2013		2013		2012 2013		12 2013 201		2012
Revenues				<u> </u>											
Total net sales	\$	208,352	\$	189,671	\$	714,267	\$	653,684							
Finance charges and other		41,992		37,000		150,765		138,618							
Total revenues		250,344		226,671		865,032		792,302							
Cost and expenses															
Cost of goods sold, including warehousing and occupancy costs		129,641		130,719		454,682		455,493							
Cost of parts sold, including warehousing and occupancy costs		1,452		1,554		5,965		6,527							
Selling, general and administrative expense		72,942		62,491		253,189		237,098							
Provision for bad debts		12,821		10,440		47,659		53,555							
Charges and credits		1,875		5,082		3,025		9,928							
Total cost and expenses		218,731		210,286		764,520		762,601							
Operating income		31,613		16,385		100,512		29,701							
Interest expense		3,888		3,978		17,047		22,457							
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		79		-		897		11,056							
Other (income) expense, net		(48)		(11)		(153)		70							
Income (loss) before income taxes		27,694		12,418		82,721		(3,882)							
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		10,029		4,717		30,109		(159)							
Net income (loss)	\$	17,665	\$	7,701	\$	52,612	\$	(3,723)							
Earnings (loss) per share:															
Basic	\$	0.52	\$	0.24	\$	1.60	\$	(0.12)							
Diluted	\$	0.50	\$	0.24	\$	1.56	\$	(0.12)							
Average common shares outstanding:															
Basic		34,072		31,997		32,862		31,860							
Diluted		35,161		32,572		33,768		31,860							

## CONN'S, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED RETAIL SEGMENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

Three	Months	Ended	January
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		31,				Year Ended	Janua	anuary 31,	
		2013		2012		2013		2012	
Revenues									
Product sales	\$	189,712	\$	173,446	\$	649,516	\$	596,360	
Repair service agreement commissions		15,718		12,629		51,648		42,078	
Service revenues		2,922		3,596		13,103		15,246	
Total net sales		208,352		189,671		714,267		653,684	
Finance charges and other		379		657		1,236		1,335	
Total revenues		208,731		190,328		715,503		655,019	
Cost and expenses									
Cost of goods sold, including warehousing and occupancy costs		129,641		130,719		454,682		455,493	
Cost of parts sold, including warehousing and occupancy costs		1,452		1,554		5,965		6,527	
Selling, general and administrative expense		57,666		48,631		197,498		180,234	
Provision for bad debts		128		121		758		590	
Charges and credits		1,348		5,082		2,498		9,522	
Total cost and expenses		190,235		186,107		661,401		652,366	
Operating income		18,496		4,221		54,102		2,653	
Other (income) expense, net		(48)		(11)		(153)		70	
Income before income taxes	\$	18,544	\$	4,232	\$	54,255	\$	2,583	
Retail gross margin		36.9%		29.7%	)	35.2%	)	28.7%	
Selling, general and administrative expense as percent of revenues		27.6%	)	25.6%	)	27.6%	)	27.5%	
Operating margin		8.9%	)	2.2%	)	7.6%	)	0.4%	
Number of stores:									
Beginning of period		65		71		65		76	
Opened		4		-		5		-	
Closed		(1)		(6)		(2)		(11)	
End of period	_	68		65		68		65	

### CONN'S, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CREDIT SEGMENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(unaudited) (in thousands)

	Three Months Ended January							
		3	1,			Year Ended	Janu	ary 31,
	2013		2012		2013		2012	
Revenues								
Finance charges and other	\$	41,613	\$	36,343	\$	149,529	\$	137,283
Cost and expenses								
Selling, general and administrative expense		15,276		13,860		55,691		56,864
Provision for bad debts		12,693		10,319		46,901		52,965
Charges and credits		527		<u>-</u>		527		406
Total cost and expenses		28,496		24,179		103,119		110,235
Operating income		13,117		12,164	_	46,410		27,048
Interest expense		3,888		3,978		17,047		22,457
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		79		-		897		11,056
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	9,150	\$	8,186	\$	28,466	\$	(6,465)
Selling, general and administrative expense as percent of revenues		36.7%	)	38.1%		37.2%	)	41.4%
Operating margin		31.5%	)	33.5%		31.0%	)	19.7%

### MANAGED CUSTOMER RECEIVABLE PORTFOLIO STATISTICS

(dollars in thousands, except average outstanding balance per account)

		,		
		2013		2012
Data as of:	-			
Total outstanding balance	\$	741,544	\$	643,301
Number of active accounts		483,219		484,169
Average outstanding customer balance	\$	1,535	\$	1,329
Balance 60+ days past due	\$	52,839	\$	55,190
Percent 60+ days past due		7.1%		8.6%
Percent of portfolio re-aged		11.7%	)	13.8%
Weighted average credit score of outstanding balances		600		602

	Three Months End	led January	Year Ended Jai	nuary 31.
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Data for the periods ended:				
Weighted average origination credit score of sales financed	611	617	614	621
Weighted average monthly payment rate	5.1%	5.2%	5.4%	5.6%
Interest and fee income yield, annualized	18.7%	18.8%	18.6%	18.7%
Percent of bad debt charge-offs (net of recoveries) to average outstanding				
balance, annualized	7.4%	8.0%	8.0%	7.5%
Percent of sales generated by payment option:				
In-house financing, including down payment	74.6%	66.5%	70.9%	60.4%
Third-party financing	16.1%	15.2%	14.8%	12.5%
Third-party rent-to-own option	3.3%	2.6%	3.5%	3.5%
Total	94.0%	84.3%	89.2%	76.4%

# CONN'S, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED, CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(unaudited) (in thousands)

		January 31,		
		2013		2012
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,849	\$	6,265
Customer accounts receivable, net		378,050		316,385
Other accounts receivable, net		45,759		38,715
Inventories		73,685		62,540
Deferred income taxes		15,302		17,111
Prepaid expenses and other assets		11,599		11,542
Total current assets		528,244		452,558
Long-term customer accounts receivable, net		313,011		272,938
Property and equipment, net		46,994		38,484
Deferred income taxes		11,579		9,754
Other assets, net		10,029		9,564
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	909,857	\$	783,298
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current Liabilities				
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	32,526	\$	726
Accounts payable	*	69,608	Ť	44,711
Accrued expenses		29,496		31,243
Other current liabilities		19,533		17,994
Total current liabilities		151,163	_	94,674
Long-term debt		262,531		320,978
Other long-term liabilities		21,713		14,275
Stockholders' equity		474,450		353,371
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	909,857	\$	783,298
Total debt as a percentage of stockholders' equity		62.2%		91.09
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# NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME, AS ADJUSTED AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE, AS ADJUSTED

(unaudited)

(in thousands, except earnings per share)

	Three Months Ended January 31,			Year Ended Ja			January 31,	
		2013		2012		2013		2012
Net income (loss), as reported	\$	17,665	\$	7,701	\$	52,612	\$	(3,723)
Adjustments:								
Costs related to store closings and lease terminations		1,032		5,082		1,195		9,115
Costs related to office relocation		215		-		1,202		-
Severance costs		628		-		628		813
Loss from early extinguishment of debt		79		-		897		11,056
Inventory reserve adjustment		-		-		-		4,669
Charge to record reserves required by the adoption of troubled debt restructuring accounting guidance		-		-		_		27,487
Reserves previously provided related to accounts considered restructured under the troubled debt restructuring accounting guidance		-		-		-		(13,350)
Tax impact of adjustments		(688)		(1,789)		(1,381)		(14,006)
Net income, as adjusted	\$	18,931	\$	10,994	\$	55,153	\$	22,061
Average common shares outstanding - Diluted		35,161		32,572		33,768		31,860
Earnings (loss) per share - Diluted								
As reported	\$	0.50	\$	0.24	\$	1.56	\$	(0.12)
As adjusted	\$	0.54	\$	0.34	\$	1.63	\$	0.69

### NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION OF RETAIL SEGMENT OPERATING INCOME, AS ADJUSTED

(unaudited) (in thousands)

Th	ree Months	Ende	d January					
31,					Year Ended	Janua	uary 31,	
2013 2012		2013			2012			
\$	18,496	\$	4,221	\$	54,102	\$	2,653	
	1,032		5,082		1,195		9,115	
	215		-		1,202		-	
	101		-		101		407	
	-		-		-		4,669	
\$	19,844	\$	9,303	\$	56,600	\$	16,844	
\$	208,731	\$	190,328	\$	715,503	\$	655,019	
	8.9%	)	2.2%	)	7.6%	, )	0.4%	
	9.5%	)	4.9%	)	7.9%	, )	2.6%	
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## NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION OF CREDIT SEGMENT OPERATING INCOME, AS ADJUSTED

(unaudited) (in thousands)

	Th	ree Months	Ende	d January					
	31,				Year Ended Jan			ınuary 31,	
	2013 2012		2012	2013			2012		
Operating income, as reported	\$	13,117	\$	12,164	\$	46,410	\$	27,048	
Adjustments:									
Severance costs		527		-		527		406	
Charge to record reserves required by the adoption of troubled debt									
restructuring accounting guidance		-		-		-		27,487	
Reserves previously provided related to accounts considered restructured under									
the troubled debt restructuring accounting guidance		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		(13,350)	
Operating income, as adjusted	\$	13,644	\$	12,164	\$	46,937	\$	41,591	
Credit segment revenues	\$	41,613	\$	36,343	\$	149,529	\$	137,283	
Operating margin									
As reported		31.5%	)	33.5%	)	31.0%	ı	19.7%	
As adjusted		32.8%	)	33.5%	)	31.4%	,	30.3%	

#### Basis for presentation of non-GAAP disclosures:

To supplement the Company's consolidated financial statements, which are prepared and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), the Company also provides the following information: adjusted net income and adjusted earnings per diluted share; adjusted retail segment operating income and adjusted operating margin; and adjusted credit segment operating income and operating margin. These non-GAAP financial measures are not meant to be considered as a substitute for comparable GAAP measures but should be considered in addition to results presented in accordance with GAAP, and are intended to provide additional insight into the Company's operations and the factors and trends affecting the Company's business. The Company's management believes these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to financial statement readers because (1) they allow for greater transparency with respect to key metrics the Company uses in its financial and operational decision making and (2) they are used by some of its institutional investors and the analyst community to help them analyze the Company's operating results.

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