

NICHOLAS FINANCIAL INC
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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) February 2, 2010

NICHOLAS FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

British Columbia, Canada
(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation or Organization)

0-26680
(Commission

File Number)

8736-3354
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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2454 McMullen Booth Road, Building C

Clearwater, Florida
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

33759
(Zip Code)

(727) 726-0763

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

February 2, 2010 Clearwater, Florida - Nicholas Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ: NICK) announced that for the three months ended December 31, 2009, net earnings, excluding change in fair value of interest rate swaps, increased 117% to \$2,747,000 as compared to \$1,267,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2008. Per share diluted net earnings, excluding change in fair value of interest rate swaps, increased 109% to \$0.23 for the three months ended December 31, 2009 as compared to \$0.11 for the three months ended December 31, 2008. **See reconciliations of the non-GAAP measures on page 2 of Exhibit #99.1.** Revenue increased 8% to \$14,365,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2009 as compared to \$13,254,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2008.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

| Exhibit # | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press release dated February 2, 2010. |

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.

NICHOLAS FINANCIAL, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: February 2, 2010

/s/ PETER L. VOSOTAS
Peter L. Vosotas
Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: February 2, 2010

/s/ RALPH T. FINKENBRINK
Ralph T. Finkenbrink
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer and Accounting Officer)

Exhibit Index

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