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 6, 2019

Matrix Service Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

DELAWARE

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-15461

(Commission File Number) 73-1352174 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5100 E Skelly Dr., Suite 500, Tulsa, OK (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

74135 (Zip Code)

918-838-8822 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(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

followin	g provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
	by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or o-2 of the Securities Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).
Emergin	g growth company \square
	erging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected to not use the extended transition period for complying with any new or inancial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 6, 2019, Matrix Service Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing financial results for the second fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2018. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99 attached hereto is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished herewith:

Exhibit No. Description

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Press Release dated February 6, 2019, announcing financial results for the second fiscal quarter ended December 31,

<u>2018.</u>

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.

Matrix Service Company

Dated: February 6, 2019 By: /s/ Kevin S. Cavanah

Kevin S. Cavanah

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



MATRIX SERVICE COMPANY REPORTS SECOND QUARTER RESULTS; INCREASES FISCAL 2019 REVENUE GUIDANCE, MAINTAINS EARNINGS GUIDANCE

TULSA, OK – February 6, 2019 – **Matrix Service Company** (Nasdaq: MTRX), a leading contractor to the energy and industrial markets across North America, today reported financial results for its second quarter ended December 31, 2018.

Key highlights:

- Revenue increased 20.4% to \$340.6 million compared to \$282.9 million in the second quarter of the prior fiscal year, driven by increases of 78.5% and 18.8%, respectively, in the Storage Solutions and Industrial segments
- Fully diluted earnings per share were \$0.14 in the second quarter and \$0.23 year-to-date
- Backlog at \$1.046 billion, up 44.3% compared to \$725.0 million for the same period a year ago
- Company increases revenue guidance from \$1.250 to \$1.350 billion to \$1.350 to \$1.425 billion; maintains earnings guidance of \$0.85 to \$1.15 per fully diluted share

"We are pleased with our continued improvement in revenue. Consistent with past commentary, our gross margins in the quarter were lower than our long-term targets. However, quarter-over-quarter results are trending in the right direction. With an improving quality of backlog and new projects, we expect to see revenue, gross margins, and earnings per share increase as we move through the second half of the year," said John R. Hewitt, President and Chief Executive Officer. "However, the impact of higher revenue volumes and continuing margin improvement in the second half of the year is offset by the lower margin performance in the first half. As a result, while we are increasing our revenue guidance, earnings per share guidance remains unchanged.

"Looking forward, based on the strength of our backlog, end markets, and project opportunity pipeline across all of our operating segments, we expect to end Fiscal 2019 in a strong backlog position. Our confidence in the Company and our end markets is reinforced by the fact that we bought back over \$5 million in stock late in this second quarter."

Second Quarter Fiscal 2019 Results

Consolidated revenue was \$340.6 million for the three months ended December 31, 2018, compared to \$282.9 million in the same period of the prior fiscal year. Storage Solutions segment revenue increased \$55.3 million primarily as a result of increased tank and terminal construction work. Industrial segment revenue increased \$11.2 million due to a higher volume of thermal vacuum chamber work. Electrical Infrastructure segment revenue decreased \$6.7 million due to the expected reduction in power generation EPC work, partially offset by an increase in power delivery work. Oil Gas & Chemical segment revenue decreased \$2.1 million due to lower levels of capital and engineering work partially offset by higher volumes of turnaround and maintenance work.

Consolidated gross profit was \$27.9 million in the three months ended December 31, 2018 compared to \$26.7 million in the three months ended December 31, 2017. The gross margin was 8.2% in the three months ended December 31, 2018 compared to 9.4% in the same period in the prior fiscal year. Fiscal 2019 gross margin was negatively impacted by the wind down of the lower margin work bid in a highly competitive environment in prior periods. Gross margins in fiscal 2018 benefited from strong project execution on a capital project in the Oil Gas & Chemical segment.

Consolidated SG&A expenses were \$22.4 million in the three months ended December 31, 2018 compared to \$21.5 million in the same period a year earlier.

Our effective tax rate for the three months ended December 31, 2018 was 27.4% compared to (5.8%) in the same period last year. The effective tax rate in fiscal 2019 was in line with our expected tax rate of 27.0%. The effective tax rate in fiscal 2018 was positively impacted by a one-time \$1.2 million adjustment in connection with accounting for the Tax Cut and Jobs Act.

The Company earned net income of \$3.9 million, or \$0.14 per fully diluted share, in the second quarter of fiscal 2019 compared to net income of \$4.5 million, or \$0.17 per fully diluted share, in the second quarter of fiscal 2018.

Six Month Fiscal 2019 Results

Consolidated revenue was \$659.1 million for the six months ended December 31, 2018, compared to \$552.8 million in the same period of the prior fiscal year. Storage Solutions revenue increased \$97.0 million primarily as a result of increased tank and terminal construction work. Industrial segment revenue increased \$63.4 million due to higher volumes of iron and steel and thermal vacuum chamber work. Electrical Infrastructure segment revenue decreased \$41.9 million primarily due to an expected reduction in the volume of power generation EPC work, partially offset by an increase in power delivery work. Oil Gas & Chemical segment revenue decreased \$12.3 million due to lower levels of capital and engineering work, partially offset by higher volumes of turnaround and maintenance work.

Consolidated gross profit was \$51.3 million in the six months ended December 31, 2018 compared to \$55.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2017. The gross margin was 7.8% in the six months ended December 31, 2018 compared to 10.1% in the same period in the prior fiscal year. The gross margin in fiscal 2019 was impacted by the wind down of lower margin work bid in a highly competitive environment in prior periods and lower than previously forecasted margins on a limited number of those projects. Gross margins in fiscal 2018 benefited from strong project execution on a capital project in the Oil Gas & Chemical segment.

Consolidated SG&A expenses were \$43.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2018 compared to \$43.1 million in the same period a year earlier.

The Company earned net income of \$6.2 million, or \$0.23 per fully diluted share, during the six months ended December 31, 2018 compared to net income of \$8.4 million, or \$0.31 per fully diluted share in the prior year.

Backlog

Backlog at December 31, 2018 was \$1.046 billion compared to \$1.109 billion at September 30, 2018. The quarterly book-to-bill ratio was 0.8 on project awards of \$277.5 million. The year-to-date book-to-bill ratio was 0.7 on project awards of \$486.9 million.

Share Repurchase

In December 2018, the Company repurchased 310,532 shares of its common stock for \$5.2 million at an average price of \$16.71 per share under its previously approved plan.

Financial Position

The Company had zero debt and a cash balance of \$71.5 million at December 31, 2018. The cash balance combined with availability under the credit facility provides the Company with liquidity of \$137.3 million at December 31, 2018, an increase of \$8.0 million since September 30, 2018. The Company expects liquidity improvement as we work through the third and fourth quarters of fiscal 2019.

Earnings Guidance

The Company is increasing fiscal 2019 revenue guidance from between \$1.250 billion and \$1.350 billion to between \$1.350 billion and \$1.425 billion. The impact of increased revenue volumes and margin improvement in the second half of the year is offset by the lower margin performance in the first half of the year. As a result, the earnings per share guidance remains unchanged at \$0.85 to \$1.15 per fully diluted share.

Conference Call / Webcast Details

In conjunction with the earnings release, Matrix Service Company will host a conference call / webcast with John R. Hewitt, President and CEO, and Kevin S. Cavanah, Vice President and CFO. The call will take place at 10:30 a.m. (Eastern) / 9:30 a.m. (Central) on Thursday, February 7, 2019 and will be simultaneously broadcast live over the Internet which can be accessed at the Company's website at matrixservicecompany.com on the Investors' page under Conference Calls/Events. Please allow extra time prior to the call to visit the site and download the streaming media software required to listen to the Internet broadcast. The conference call will be recorded and will be available for replay within one hour of completion of the live call and can be accessed following the same link as the live call.

About Matrix Service Company

Founded in 1984, Matrix Service Company is parent to a family of companies that include Matrix Service Inc., Matrix NAC, Matrix PDM Engineering and Matrix Applied Technologies. Our subsidiaries design, build and maintain infrastructure critical to North America's energy and industrial markets. Matrix Service Company is headquartered in Tulsa, Oklahoma with subsidiary offices located throughout the United States and Canada, as well as Sydney, Australia and Seoul, South Korea.

The Company reports its financial results based on four key operating segments: Electrical Infrastructure, Storage Solutions, Oil Gas & Chemical and Industrial. To learn more about Matrix Service Company, visit <u>matrixservicecompany.com</u>.

This release contains forward-looking statements that are made in reliance upon the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are generally accompanied by words such as "anticipate," "continues," "expect," "forecast," "outlook," "believe," "estimate," "should" and "will" and words of similar effect that convey future meaning, concerning the Company's operations, economic performance and management's best judgment as to what may occur in the future. Future events involve risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those we currently anticipate. The actual results for the current and future periods and other corporate developments will depend upon a number of economic, competitive and other influences, including those factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" and "Forward Looking Statements" sections and elsewhere in the Company's reports and filings made from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Many of these risks and uncertainties are beyond the control of the Company, and any one of which, or a combination of which, could materially and adversely affect the results of the Company's operations and its financial condition. We undertake no obligation to update information contained in this release, except as required by law.

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Matrix Service Company Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Mo	Ended	Six Months Ended				
	 December 31, December 31, 2018 2017				December 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Revenues	\$ 340,568	\$	282,911	\$	659,079	\$	552,821
Cost of revenues	312,682		256,208		607,772		497,227
Gross profit	27,886		26,703		51,307		55,594
Selling, general and administrative expenses	22,359		21,529		43,560		43,099
Operating income	5,527		5,174		7,747		12,495
Other income (expense):							
Interest expense	(361)		(819)		(653)		(1,437)
Interest income	274		65		556		104
Other	(22)		(135)		524		14
Income before income tax expense	5,418		4,285		8,174		11,176
Provision (benefit) for federal, state and foreign income taxes	1,486		(247)		1,937		2,820
Net income	\$ 3,932	\$	4,532	\$	6,237	\$	8,356
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.15	\$	0.17	\$	0.23	\$	0.31
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.14	\$	0.17	\$	0.23	\$	0.31
Weighted average common shares outstanding:							
Basic	27,043		26,771		26,982		26,713
Diluted	27,582		27,078		27,628		26,933

Matrix Service Company Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited) (In thousands)

	D	ecember 31, 2018	June 30, 2018
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	71,489	\$ 64,057
Accounts receivable, less allowances (December 31, 2018—\$6,249 and June 30, 2018—\$6,327)		203,574	203,388
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts		72,694	76,632
Inventories		7,961	5,152
Income taxes receivable		1,543	3,359
Other current assets		7,578	4,458
Total current assets		364,839	357,046
Property, plant and equipment at cost:			
Land and buildings		40,517	40,424
Construction equipment		89,321	89,036
Transportation equipment		48,805	48,339
Office equipment and software		42,297	41,236
Construction in progress		3,040	1,353
Total property, plant and equipment - at cost		223,980	220,388
Accumulated depreciation		(152,387)	(147,743)
Property, plant and equipment - net		71,593	72,645
Goodwill		93,263	96,162
Other intangible assets		21,096	22,814
Deferred income taxes		5,598	4,848
Other assets		13,163	4,518
Total assets	\$	569,552	\$ 558,033

Matrix Service Company Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued) (unaudited) (In thousands, except share data)

	December 31, 2018	ine 30, 2018
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 90,712	\$ 79,439
Billings on uncompleted contracts in excess of costs and estimated earnings	115,366	120,740
Accrued wages and benefits	24,735	24,375
Accrued insurance	8,921	9,080
Income taxes payable	_	7
Other accrued expenses	4,698	4,824
Total current liabilities	244,432	238,465
Deferred income taxes	1,272	429
Other liabilities	258	296
Total liabilities	245,962	239,190
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock—\$.01 par value; 60,000,000 shares authorized; 27,888,217 shares issued as of December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018; 26,778,398 and 26,853,823 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018	279	279
Additional paid-in capital	131,889	132,198
Retained earnings	217,731	211,494
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(8,079)	(7,411)
	341,820	336,560
Less: Treasury stock, at cost — 1,109,819 shares as of December 31, 2018, and 1,034,394 shares as of June 30,		
2018	(18,230)	(17,717)
Total stockholders' equity	323,590	 318,843
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 569,552	\$ 558,033

Matrix Service Company Results of Operations (unaudited) (In thousands)

	Three Mo	Ended	Six Months Ended			
	 December 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Gross revenues						
Electrical Infrastructure	\$ 58,173	\$	64,852	\$ 102,874	\$	144,823
Oil Gas & Chemical	87,521		88,396	163,083		174,257
Storage Solutions	126,198		71,233	239,965		142,805
Industrial	 70,385		59,260	 155,942		92,531
Total gross revenues	\$ 342,277	\$	283,741	\$ 661,864	\$	554,416
Less: Inter-segment revenues						
Oil Gas & Chemical	\$ 1,234	\$	37	\$ 1,305	\$	245
Storage Solutions	475		792	1,480		1,349
Industrial	_		1	_		1
Total inter-segment revenues	\$ 1,709	\$	830	\$ 2,785	\$	1,595
Consolidated revenues						
Electrical Infrastructure	\$ 58,173	\$	64,852	\$ 102,874	\$	144,823
Oil Gas & Chemical	86,287		88,359	161,778		174,012
Storage Solutions	125,723		70,441	238,485		141,456
Industrial	70,385		59,259	155,942		92,530
Total consolidated revenues	\$ 340,568	\$	282,911	\$ 659,079	\$	552,821
Gross profit						
Electrical Infrastructure	\$ 3,562	\$	5,541	\$ 6,945	\$	13,808
Oil Gas & Chemical	9,157		11,768	14,782		22,806
Storage Solutions	11,147		5,298	20,700		12,838
Industrial	4,020		4,096	8,880		6,142
Total gross profit	\$ 27,886	\$	26,703	\$ 51,307	\$	55,594
Operating income (loss)						
Electrical Infrastructure	\$ 438	\$	1,079	\$ 1,095	\$	4,656
Oil Gas & Chemical	3,585		5,198	4,099		9,332
Storage Solutions	1,356		(2,609)	1,641		(2,684)
Industrial	148		1,506	912		1,191
Total operating income	\$ 5,527	\$	5,174	\$ 7,747	\$	12,495

Backlog

We define backlog as the total dollar amount of revenue that we expect to recognize as a result of performing work that has been awarded to us through a signed contract, notice to proceed or other type of assurance that we consider firm. The following arrangements are considered firm:

- fixed-price awards;
- · minimum customer commitments on cost plus arrangements; and
- certain time and material arrangements in which the estimated value is firm or can be estimated with a reasonable amount of certainty in both timing and amounts.

For long-term maintenance contracts with no minimum commitments and other established customer agreements, we include only the amounts that we expect to recognize as revenue over the next 12 months. For arrangements in which we have received a limited notice to proceed, we include the entire scope of work in our backlog if the notice is significant relative to the overall project and if we conclude that the likelihood of the full project proceeding as high. For all other arrangements, we calculate backlog as the estimated contract amount less revenues recognized as of the reporting date.

The following table provides a summary of changes in our backlog for the three months ended December 31, 2018:

	Electrical Infrastructure		Oil Gas & Chemical		Storage Solutions		Industrial		Total
			(In thousands)						
Backlog as of September 30, 2018	\$ 108,845	\$	189,492	\$	585,737	\$	225,398	\$	1,109,472
Project awards	52,066		74,656		85,190		65,580		277,492
Revenue recognized	(58,173)		(86,287)		(125,723)		(70,385)		(340,568)
Backlog as of December 31, 2018	\$ 102,738	\$	177,861	\$	545,204	\$	220,593	\$	1,046,396
Book-to-bill ratio ⁽¹⁾	0.9		0.9		0.7		0.9		0.8

⁽¹⁾ Calculated by dividing project awards by revenue recognized during the period.

The following table provides a summary of changes in our backlog for the six months ended December 31, 2018:

	Electrical Infrastructure		Oil Gas & Chemical		Storage Solutions		Industrial		Total
					(Iı	n thousands)			
Backlog as of June 30, 2018	\$	113,957	\$	227,452	\$	613,360	\$	263,827	1,218,596
Project awards		91,655		112,187		170,329		112,708	486,879
Revenue recognized		(102,874)		(161,778)		(238,485)		(155,942)	(659,079)
Backlog as of December 31, 2018	\$	102,738	\$	177,861	\$	545,204	\$	220,593	\$ 1,046,396
Book-to-bill ratio ⁽¹⁾		0.9		0.7		0.7		0.7	0.7

⁽¹⁾ Calculated by dividing project awards by revenue recognized during the period.