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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): May 8, 2003

Arch Wireless, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-14248 31-1358569

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (508) 870-7600

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure (Information furnished pursuant to Item 12, "Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition").

On May 8, 2003, Arch Wireless, Inc. announced its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

In accordance with the procedural guidance in SEC Release No. 33-8216, the information in this Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto is being furnished under Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure rather than under Item 12. Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition. The information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (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 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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.

ARCH WIRELESS, INC.

Date: May 8, 2003 By: /s/ J. Roy Pottle

Name: J. Roy Pottle

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

SIGNATURE 2

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

Description

99.1

Press release of Arch Wireless, Inc. dated May 8, 2003

Exhibit 99.1

NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, May 8, 2003

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Arch Wireless Reports First Quarter Operating Results, Reschedules Annual Meeting of Stockholders

Westborough, MA (May 8, 2003) Arch Wireless, Inc. (OTCBB: AWIN; BSE: AWL), a leading wireless messaging and mobile information company, today announced consolidated net income of \$6.1 million, or \$0.30 per share, for the first quarter ended March 31, 2003, compared to net income of \$4.5 million, or \$0.02 per share, for the first quarter of 2002. Consolidated revenues for the first quarter of 2003 were \$165 million while net cash provided by operating activities was \$51.2 million.

Arch s financial results include separate results and cash flows prior to its emergence from bankruptcy on May 29, 2002 (the Predecessor Company), as well as operating results and cash flows after its emergence from bankruptcy (the Reorganized Company), reflecting the application of fresh-start accounting that resulted from Arch s Chapter 11 reorganization. Consequently, and due to other reorganization-related events and adjustments, the Predecessor Company s financial statements for the three-month period ended March 31, 2002 are not comparable to the Reorganized Company s financial statements for the three-month period ended March 31, 2003.

Arch reported a net decline of 477,000 messaging units in service during the first quarter of 2003, comprised of 460,000 one-way messaging units and 17,000 two-way messaging units. Direct units in service declined by 281,000 during the quarter while indirect units in service declined by 196,000. Messaging units in service totaled 5,163,000 at March 31, 2003 with 4,031,000 direct units in service and 1,132,000 indirect units in service. During the first quarter average revenue per direct unit in service was \$11.70 compared to \$3.60 per indirect unit in service.

C. Edward Baker, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said: Our operating results were consistent with our expectations as we continued to reduce operating expenses and maintained operating margins over the past year.

J. Roy Pottle, executive vice president and chief financial officer, said: The company continued to reduce its debt during the first quarter as our wholly owned subsidiary Arch Wireless Holdings, Inc. (AWHI) completed \$26.7 million of additional redemptions of 10% Senior Subordinated Secured Notes due 2007. Upon completion of optional and mandatory redemption payments scheduled for May 15, 2003, AWHI will have redeemed a total of \$140 million principal amount of the \$200 million of 10% Senior Notes originally issued and will have \$60 million principal amount outstanding. Pottle also noted: Cash and cash equivalents were \$60.4 million as of March 31, 2003 resulting in net debt (total debt less cash and cash equivalents) of \$133 million compared to \$180 million as of December 31, 2002.

Arch also announced that it has rescheduled its annual meeting of stockholders, previously scheduled for May 8, 2003, for Thursday, June 12, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting was rescheduled in order to provide time for the Securities and Exchange Commission to complete its review of Arch spreliminary proxy materials filed on March 18, 2003. Arch expects to mail the definitive proxy materials, together with its annual report, to all stockholders on or about May 9, 2003.

Arch Wireless, Inc., headquartered in Westborough, Mass., is a leading wireless messaging and mobile information company with operations throughout the United States. It offers a full range of wireless messaging and wireless e-mail services, including mobile data solutions for the enterprise, to business and retail customers nationwide. Arch provides services to customers in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico and in the Caribbean principally through a nationwide direct sales force, as well as through indirect resellers, retailers and other strategic partners. Additional information on Arch is available on the Internet at www.arch.com.

Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act: Statements contained herein or in prior press releases which are not historical fact, such as statements regarding Arch s expectations for future reductions in operating expenses and maintenance of operating margins, are forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that may cause Arch s actual results to be materially different from the future results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expectations include, but are not limited to, declining demand for its paging products and services, Arch s ability to continue to reduce operating expenses and maintain operating margins, Arch s future capital needs, competitive pricing pressures, competition from both traditional paging services and other wireless communications services, government regulation, reliance upon third party providers for certain equipment and services, as well as other risks described from time to time in Arch s periodic reports and registration statements filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Although Arch believes the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that its expectations will be attained. Arch disclaims any intent or obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

Tables to Follow

ARCH WIRELESS, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(unaudited and in thousands)

	March 31, 2003	3 December 31, 2002
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 60,442	\$ 37,187
Accounts receivable, net	37,269	45,308
Deposits	4,647	4,880
Prepaid rent	3,243	9,857
Prepaid expenses and other	15,641	17,999
Total current assets	121,242	115,231
Property and equipment	389,747	391,060
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(113,453)	(87,278)
Property and equipment, net	276,294	303,782
Assets held for sale	1,245	3,311
Intangible and other assets, net	10,148	15,600
	\$ 408,929	\$ 437,924
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 38,260	\$ 55,000
Accounts payable	5,929	8,412
Accrued compensation and benefits	13,229	20,948

	March 31, 2003	December 31, 2002
Accrued network costs	9,340	10,052
Accrued property and sales taxes	11,149	12,672
Accrued interest	3,194	1,446
Accrued other	11,854	12,324
Customer deposits and deferred revenue	34,363	35,704
Total current liabilities	127,318	156,558
Long-term debt, less current maturities	155,352	162,185
Other long-term liabilities	1,347	788
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock	20	20
Additional paid-in capital	121,456	121,456
Deferred stock compensation	(3,882)	(4,330)
Retained earnings	7,318	1,247
Total stockholders' equity	124,912	118,393
	\$ 408,929	\$ 437,924

ARCH WIRELESS, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(unaudited and in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

Reorganized Company Predecessor Company **Three Months** Ended March 31, 2003

Three Months Ended March 31, 2002

	Reorganized Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2003 Predecessor Compan Three Months Ended March 31, 2002				
Revenues	\$	164,753	\$	233,545	
Operating expenses:					
Cost of products sold		1,658		5,410	
Service, rental, and maintenance		50,135		67,610	
Selling		12,494		22,179	
General and administrative		49,092		76,128	
Depreciation and amortization		33,223	48,931		
Stock based and other compensation		2,195		<u></u>	
Total operating expenses		147,749		220,258	
Operating income (loss)		17,004		13,287	
Interest expense, net		(5,646)		(1,274)	
Other income (expense)		10		(1,244)	
Income (loss) before reorganization items, net		10,320		10,769	
Reorganization items, net				(6,223)	
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes		10,320		4,456	
Provision for income taxes		(4,249)			
Net income (loss)	\$	6,071	\$	4,546	
Basic/diluted net income (loss) per common share	\$	0.30	\$	0.02	
Basic/diluted weighted average number of common					
shares outstanding		20,000,000		182,434,590	

ARCH WIRELESS, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited and in thousands)

	Reorganized Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2003			Predecessor Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2002	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income (loss)	\$	6,071	\$	4,546	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash					
provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		33,223		48,931	
Accretion of long-term debt		3,167			
Deferred stock compensation		448			
Income tax provision		4,249			
Losses (gains) on disposals of property and equipment		49		(772)	
Accounts receivable loss provision		8,685		23,984	
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable		(705)		(4,841)	
Prepaid expenses and other		9,205		(5,820)	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(11,883)		(1,882)	
Customer deposits and deferred revenue		(1,341)		(2,901)	
Other long-term liabilities		39		980	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	51,207	\$	62,225	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Additions to property and equipment		(3,416)		(23,460)	
Additions to intangible and other assets				(1)	
Proceeds from disposals of property and equipment		2,145			
Receipts from note receivable		59			
Net cash used for investing activities		(1,212)		(23,461)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Repayment of long-term debt		(26,740)		(44,478)	
Net cash used for financing activities		(26,740)		(44,478)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash				(53)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		23,255		(5,767)	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		37,187		72,200	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	60,442	\$	66,433	

	- -	Reorganized Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2003		Predecessor Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2002	
Supplemental disclosures:					
Interest paid	9	919	\$	1,348	
Asset retirement obligation	\$	1,244	\$		
Reorganization expenses paid	\$		\$	4,317	

ARCH WIRELESS, INC. UNIT ACTIVITY

			Three	anized Company Months Ended arch 31, 2003	<u>(</u> Three	redecessor Company Months Ended rch 31, 2002
Direct	One-Way:					
		Beginning units in service		3,969,000		5,589,000
		Internal unit in service growth (decline)		(264,000)		(436,000)
		Ending units in service		3,705,000		5,153,000
		Revenues (000s)	\$	124,456	\$	179,203
	<u>Two-Way</u> :	Average revenue per unit	\$	10.39	\$	10.71
		Beginning units in service		343,000		327,000
		Internal unit in service growth (decline)		(17,000)		37,000

			Reorganized Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2003			Predecessor Company Three Months Ended March 31, 2002	
		Ending units in service		326,000		364,000	
		Revenues (000s)	\$	27,310	\$	32,731 30.00	
Indirect	One-Way:	Average revenue per unit	\$	26.67	\$	30.00	
		Beginning units in service		1,319,000		2,577,000	
		Internal unit in service growth (decline)		(196,000)		(360,000)	
		Ending units in service		1,123,000		2,217,000	
		Revenues (000s)	\$	12,417	\$	20,838	
	T W	Average revenue per unit	\$	3.47	\$	2.99	
	Two-Way:	Beginning units in service Internal unit in service growth (decline)		9,000		7,000	
		Ending units in service		9,000		7,000	
		Revenues (000s)	\$	570	\$	773	
		Average revenue per unit	\$	21.64	\$	23.53	