# 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): September 15, 2020

## **3M COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware File No. 1-3285 41-0417775 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.) 55144-1000 3M Center, St. Paul, Minnesota (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code) (651) 733-1110 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 following provisions kee 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)) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock, Par Value \$.01 Per Share MMM New York Stock Exchange, Inc. MMM Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc. MMM26 1.500% Notes due 2026 New York Stock Exchange, Inc. 0.375% Notes due 2022 MMM22A New York Stock Exchange, Inc. 0.950% Notes due 2023 MMM23 New York Stock Exchange, Inc. 1.750% Notes due 2030 MMM30 New York Stock Exchange, Inc. 1.500% Notes due 2031 MMM31 New York Stock Exchange, Inc. Note: The common stock of the Registrant is also traded on the SWX Swiss Exchange. Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act: None Indicate 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 Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial

accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

## Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 15, 2020, 3M Company issued a press release reporting sales information for the month of August 2020 and providing revenue expectations for the third-quarter 2020 (furnished as Exhibit 99 hereto and incorporated herein by reference).

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99 Press Release, dated as of September 15, 2020, of 3M Company (furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 hereof)
 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded in the Inline XBRL document).

## 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.

3M COMPANY

By: /s/ Ivan K. Fong

Ivan K. Fong

Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

Dated: September 15, 2020

#### 3M Reports Sales Information for Month of August 2020

#### Summary:

- · Sales of \$2.7 billion, up 2 percent year-on-year
- August sales negatively impacted by one fewer business day 21 days this year vs. 22 days last year or minus 5 percent year-on-year impact
- Company provides revenue expectations for third quarter; monthly sales updates to continue through end of 2020

ST. PAUL, Minn. - Sept. 15, 2020 - 3M (NYSE: MMM) today reported sales information for the month of August 2020.

Total sales for August increased 2 percent year-on-year to \$2.7 billion. Organic local-currency sales (which includes organic volume impacts and selling price changes) declined 2 percent while acquisitions, net of divestitures, and foreign currency translation increased sales year-on-year by 3 percent and 1 percent, respectively.

Total sales increased 23 percent in Health Care, 6 percent in Safety and Industrial, and 3 percent in Consumer, while Transportation and Electronics declined 11 percent. Organic local-currency sales increased 6 percent in Health Care, 5 percent in Safety and Industrial, and 2 percent in Consumer, while Transportation and Electronics declined 11 percent.

On a geographic basis, total sales increased 7 percent in EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa), and 4 percent in the Americas, while Asia Pacific declined 2 percent. Organic local-currency sales were flat in both the Americas (including the U.S. up 1 percent) and EMEA, while Asia Pacific declined 5 percent (including China up 6 percent and Japan down 15 percent).

Sales for August 2020 were impacted by one fewer business day – 21 days this year versus 22 days last year – or minus 5 percent year-on-year. Because the company will have one additional business day in September 2020 versus September 2019, there will be no year-on-year business day impact on the third-quarter 2020.

While significant global economic uncertainty remains due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the company estimates, with one month left in the quarter, its sales to be in the range of \$8.2 to \$8.3 billion for the third-quarter. Given the current economic uncertainty, 3M will continue its monthly reporting of sales information through the end of the year to provide transparency on its ongoing business performance.

#### **Upcoming events**

3M will participate in the Morgan Stanley Virtual 8th Annual Laguna Conference on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2020. Mike Roman, chairman and chief executive officer, and Monish Patolawala, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will speak at 8:15 a.m. EDT.

3M will host its third-quarter 2020 earnings conference call on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020, at 8 a.m. CDT.

Both events will be webcast live, and a replay will be available on 3M's Investor Relations website at http://investors.3M.com.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains forward-looking information about 3M's financial results and estimates and business prospects that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. You can identify these statements by the use of words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "aim," "project," "intend," "plan," "believe," "will," "should," "could," "target," "forecast" and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with any discussion of future operating or financial performance or business plans or prospects. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are the following: (1) worldwide economic, political, regulatory, capital markets and other external conditions and other factors beyond the Company's control, including natural and other disasters or climate change affecting the operations of the Company or its customers and suppliers; (2) risks related to public health crises such as the global pandemic associated with the coronavirus (COVID-19); (3) liabilities related to certain fluorochemicals, including lawsuits concerning various PFAS-related products and chemistries, and claims and governmental regulatory proceedings and inquiries related to PFAS in a variety of jurisdictions; (4) legal proceedings, including significant developments that could occur in the legal and regulatory proceedings described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended Dec. 31, 2019, and any subsequent quarterly reports on Form 10-Q (the "Reports"); (5) competitive conditions and customer preferences; (6) foreign currency exchange rates and fluctuations in those rates; (7) the timing and market acceptance of new product offerings; (8) the availability and cost of purchased components, compounds, raw materials and energy (including oil and natural gas and their derivatives) due to shortages, increased demand or supply interruptions (including those caused by natural and other disasters and other events); (9) unanticipated problems or delays with the phased implementation of a global enterprise resource planning (ERP) system, or security breaches and other disruptions to the Company's information technology infrastructure; (10) the impact of acquisitions, strategic alliances, divestitures and other unusual events resulting from portfolio management actions and other evolving business strategies, and possible organizational restructuring; (11) operational execution, including scenarios where the Company generates fewer productivity improvements than estimated; (12) financial market risks that may affect the Company's funding obligations under defined benefit pension and postretirement plans; and (13) the Company's credit ratings and its cost of capital. Changes in such assumptions or factors could produce significantly different results. A further description of these factors is located in the Reports under "Cautionary Note Concerning Factors That May Affect Future Results" and "Risk Factors" in Part I, Items 1 and 1A (Annual Report) and in Part I, Item 2 and Part II, Item 1A (Quarterly Reports), as updated by applicable Current Reports on Form 8-K. The information contained in this news release is as of the date indicated. The Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this news release as a result of new information or future events or developments.

## About 3M

At 3M, we apply science in collaborative ways to improve lives daily. With \$32 billion in sales, our 96,000 employees connect with customers all around the world.

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