

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): December 15, 2023



**Ascent Industries Co.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b> <i>(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)</i>	<b>0-19687</b> <i>(Commission File Number)</i>	<b>57-0426694</b> <i>(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)</i>
<b>1400 16th Street, Suite 270, Oak Brook, Illinois</b> <i>(Address of principal executive offices)</i>	<b>(630) 884-9181</b> <i>(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)</i>	<b>60523</b> <i>(Zip Code)</i>

**Inapplicable**

(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 (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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol</u>	<u>Name of exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	ACNT	NASDAQ Global Market

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 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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.

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On December 15, 2023, Ascent Industries Co. (the “Company”) adopted a written trading plan under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (“Exchange Act”). The trading plan will include purchases up to the total amount of \$1.5 million executed daily based on specified price targets. This written trading plan will take effect on December 21, 2023 and will cease on March 12, 2024.

Adopting a trading plan that satisfies the conditions of Rule 10b5-1 allows a company to repurchase its shares at times when it might otherwise be prevented from doing so due to self-imposed trading blackout periods or pursuant to insider trading laws. A broker selected by the Company will have the authority under the terms and limitations specified in the plan to repurchase shares on the Company’s behalf in accordance with the terms of the plan. After the expiration of the current trading plan, the Company may from time to time enter into subsequent trading plans under Rule 10b5-1 to facilitate the repurchase of its common stock pursuant to its stock repurchase program.

Information regarding stock repurchases will be available in the Company’s periodic reports on Form 10-Q and 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as required by the applicable rules of the Exchange Act.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 19, 2023

**Ascent Industries Co.**

By: /s/ William S. Steckel

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William S. Steckel

Chief Financial Officer